

MC Gets \$75,000 Grant From Kresge

Mississippi College has been authorized a \$75,000 grant by the Kresge Foundation for the construction of an addition to the Leland Speed Library and the development of a Media Center within the addition it was announced this week.

Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of the college, received notification of the

grant from William H. Baldwin, foundation president and a member of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Baldwin indicated that payment of the \$75,000 grant is conditioned upon certification that the balance of the funds required for the addition have been raised in full and that the project contract price is within available resources.

The grant would be a tremendous boost to the \$3 million Commitment Campaign now in progress, which has as one of its goals the addition to the library and the inclusion of a Media Center.

The proposed addition to the Leland Speed Library would approximately double the space available in the current building. The 30,000 square foot addition would be three stories and would provide shelving capacity for some 200,000 volumes plus additional space for periodicals, reading and reference and other related interests.

The main floor of the addition would include the Media Center as proposed in the Kresge Foundation proposal.

The Kresge Foundation was founded in 1924 by Sebastian S. Kresge, who had already acquired wealth in the first quarter century of his career as head of the variety store chain bearing his name.

He decided that some of the surplus of his endeavors should be set aside and be used "to raise the level of humanity." The continuing growth of his "5 and 10" stores in the succeeding years all over America brought increased opportunities to indulge his deep personal desire to extend needed assistance to institutions and organizations dedicated to the promotion of human progress.

Kerr To Head State Council On Aging

Horace L. Kerr, for the past 13 years minister of education and administration, First Church, Jackson, has been elected by the Mississippi Council On Aging to serve as the Council's executive director.



First Church held a reception, honoring the Mississippi native and his family, on Sunday night, July 23.

Mr. Kerr will begin his new duties on August 1. The Mississippi Council On Aging implements and administers programs of the Federal government relating to the aging; provides guidance, encouragement, and assistance to cities and counties in the development of local programs for the aging; works to improve and expand services for older people; conducts a statewide educational program on the needs of older people and ways to meet these needs; and serves as a clearinghouse for information in the field of aging in Mississippi. Offices of the Council are located in the Dale Building on North State Street in Jackson.

Before moving to Jackson in 1959, Mr. Kerr was for six years minister of education at Calvary Church, Tupelo, and prior to that time held a similar position at Brookside Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. During World War II he served in the U. S. Navy.

Born near Houston, Mississippi, he graduated from Louisville High School, and has earned the B. A. degree from Mississippi College M. R. E. from Southwestern Seminary, and Juris Doctor, Jackson School of Law.

Mr. Kerr will continue in his role as secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Every year since 1959 he has been either secretary or assistant secretary of the Convention. Also he is a member of the Pioneer Missions Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. He is a past president of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association and of the Hinds Baptist Religious Education Association.

He is married to the former Dorothy Parker of Sumrall. They have three children, ages 21, 19, and 14.

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SBC Brotherhood Commission Proposed \$1.2 Million Budget

MEMPHIS (BP) — The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission voted here to recommend a record 1972-73 operating budget of \$1,210,200, providing for development of a specialized program for Baptist young men and strong trusts in the fields of lay ministries and lay witnessing.

The budget, up \$20,200 from this year, must be approved by the agency's full board of directors meeting here August 1. It would go into effect October 3.

In a unique arrangement, the Executive Committee approved appointment of Anthony Hough, a US-2 home missionary, as a consultant in the Baptist Young Men's department, a new staff position for the commission.

Hough is a Southern Baptist home missionary assigned to the commission for two years to research and develop the missions program for young men, ages 18 to 29.

Glendon McCullough, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, said Hough's instructions are to come up with innovative ways which will motivate young men to become involved meaningfully in Southern Baptist missions. Hough, a native of

Muncie, Ind., will begin the research project September 1.

Classifying lay witnessing as a top priority, McCullough said his first goal is to train 5,000 laymen to lead lay evangelism schools throughout the United States.

In the field of lay ministries, the emphasis in Southern Baptist churches will be upon weekend spiritual renewal experiences led by lay people, McCullough said.

"We also plan to use personnel in this department to serve as catalysts in bringing together hundreds of mission projects and Southern Baptist laymen with special skills to do them."

"One of our first efforts will be to develop a corps of laymen with specialized skills who will accept emergency assignments when disasters occur," he added.

McCullough said the emphasis on Baptist young men, lay ministry and lay witnessing was an effort to implement actions by the Southern Baptist Convention in Philadelphia asking the commission to involve laymen in witnessing and evangelism in meaningful ways. There are about 451,000 men and boys in Southern Baptist churches enrolled in Brotherhood units.



Nome Mission Is Farthest West In U. S.

Nome Southern Baptist Mission in Alaska is the farthest west Southern Baptist mission (or church) in the United States. Sponsored by University Baptist Church in Fairbanks, the mission was organized in April of 1972. The sign on the rented building calls it a church which is preferred over the mission title. The congregation has people from Alaska, Alabama, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, and Washington. Nome has a population of 2500 with 80% of those Eskimo.—HMB Photo.

Supreme Court News Analysis

Split Votes May Show Trends Of Rights

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WASHINGTON (BP) — When the U. S. Supreme Court ended its 1972 session here, it handed down a number of significant decisions, most of them on a split vote of five to four.

In terms of future decisions by the court, the way the justices were divided on their opinions may be as significant in some cases as the decisions themselves.

The inability of the justices to agree on many of the cases produced late decisions, numerous concurring and dissenting opinions, and a divisive decision to rehear next fall the arguments on the emotion-laden case which seeks to have state abortion laws declared unconstitutional.

To understand the decisions, Baptists must also understand the changes in the makeup of the court.

When he took office, President Nixon was critical of the judicial activism (so-called "loose construction" given to the Constitution) of the Warren Court. During his 1968 campaign,

Nixon pledged that as vacancies occurred on the court, he would seek to appoint men who would exercise judicial "restraint and who would be 'strict constructionists' of the Constitution."

Due to resignations and retirements from the court, President Nixon has

Evangelism Congress Announced For 1974

Evangelist Billy Graham, of the USA, and a group of other evangelical leaders from five continents have announced that an International Congress on World Evangelization will be convened in 1974.

The group, which met in the United States to make plans, said the congress will meet in the late summer or early fall of 1974, probably in Europe. Between 3,000 and 5,000 delegates from throughout the world are expected to participate.

The congress will be a call to the church "to finish the task of proclaiming the gospel to the world in our generation," said the presiding chairman, A. Jack Dain, assistant bishop in the Anglican Diocese of Australia.

been able to appoint four new members. With their appointment, the "Nixon Court" gained some of the "balance" he had sought, and moved sharply away from judicial activism.

Chief Justice Burger, and Justices Blackmun, Powell and Rehnquist, all Nixon appointees, are less likely to interpret the Constitution broadly and have become known as the "conservative bloc" in the court.

Justices Douglas, Brennan and Marshall, who are holdovers from the pre-Nixon Court, form a bloc which has tended to expand the coverage of the Bill of Rights. They generally are considered "liberal."

With a nine-member court, Justices Stewart and White, who are not clearly aligned with either of the other blocs, become the "swing" (Continued on page 2)

Jerry Clower To Appear On "Crossroads"

FORT WORTH, Texas — A vacation treat is in store for "Country Crossroads" fans.

During August Mississippi's favorite storyteller, Jerry Clower, will be wearing two hats on the 20-minute radio program produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission.

"Country Crossroads" is designed to "take the cross of Christ to the crossroads of America."

It is heard on 399 radio stations nationwide.

Mr. Clower will substitute during August when Bill Mack and Leroy Van Dyke, the show's co-hosts, take their vacations.

Mr. Mack will be out the first two weeks of August and Mr. Van Dyke will be on vacation the last two weeks of the month.

In addition to his co-host duties, Mr. Clower will be the featured personality in the Scrapbook Corner segment of the program.

The Scrapbook Corner includes interviews about the lives of entertainers and gives them an opportunity to share their Christian faith and experiences.

Mr. Clower, a member of First Baptist Church in Yazoo City, Miss., is vice president of Mississippi Chemical Corporation in Yazoo City.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention in Philadelphia may remember him for his speech nominating Owen Cooper, as convention president.

The entertainer is heard on two Decca records, "Jerry Clower From Yazoo City, Ms.," and "The Mouth of Mississippi."

His stories include "Marcel's Talking Chain Saw" and "The Copin Hunt."

Evangelism ... '73 To Follow Sunday School Emphasis

With plans for the Statewide Sunday School Enlargement and Development program now progressing, according to Rev. Bryant M. Cummings, Jackson, chairman of the state Committee, and Director of the Sunday School Department, copies of "Evangelism ... '73," the program which is under the direction of Rev. Roy Collum, secretary of evangelism, is currently being sent to associational and church leadership throughout the state.

The joint program of Sunday School Enlargement for 1972 and evangelism emphasis for 1973 was adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary.

The complete program has been described as being in four stages, as follows:

Stage 1: People Search, set for August of 1972.

Stage 2: Sunday School workers, to be held in September of 1972.

Stage 3: Training of Sunday School workers to be conducted in October of 1972.

Stage 4: Evangelism, to be emphasized in 1973 with certain preparations being carried out in 1972.

The copies of "Evangelism ... '73," prepared by the Evangelism Department, gives in detail the program for next year as well as the plans already made and outlined for 1972.

Mr. Collum said that as part of the 1972 preparation that "Task Force Two" would meet throughout the state with the executive committee of the various associations to make plans for the "Evangelism ... '73" emphasis. "Task Force Two" consists of a

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First, Jackson, Votes Expansion

First Baptist Church, Jackson, has unanimously approved plans to erect a new building unit which will make possible great expansion of every phase of its ministry.

The program, which had come as a recommendation of the deacons, the finance committee and the Long Range Planning Committee, was presented to the church on Wednesday evening, July 19, and then again on Sunday evening, July 23, when it had been announced the vote would be taken.

The congregation gave unanimous approval to the project.

The adopted program calls for erection of a new educational - activities building, and the remodeling and rearranging of present facilities, to provide adequately for a rapidly growing church program.

The proposed new facility was developed after long study by the Long Range Planning Committee, the staff,

the deacons, the finance committee and other leaders. Mr. Owen Gregory is chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, and Mr. John Roberts is present chairman of the deacons.

Presentation of the program was made by the pastor, Dr. Larry Rohrman, who used slides to explain what was planned.

Dr. Rohrman said, "It often is said now in religious circles that 'downtown' churches are dying."

"This is one dying - town church which is not dying, but is experiencing some of the greatest growth of its history," he added. He said that the church had had more than 1300 additions in the past two and one half years. "Moreover, the growth is faster now than it was at the beginning of that period, and new members of all ages are coming into our fellowship."

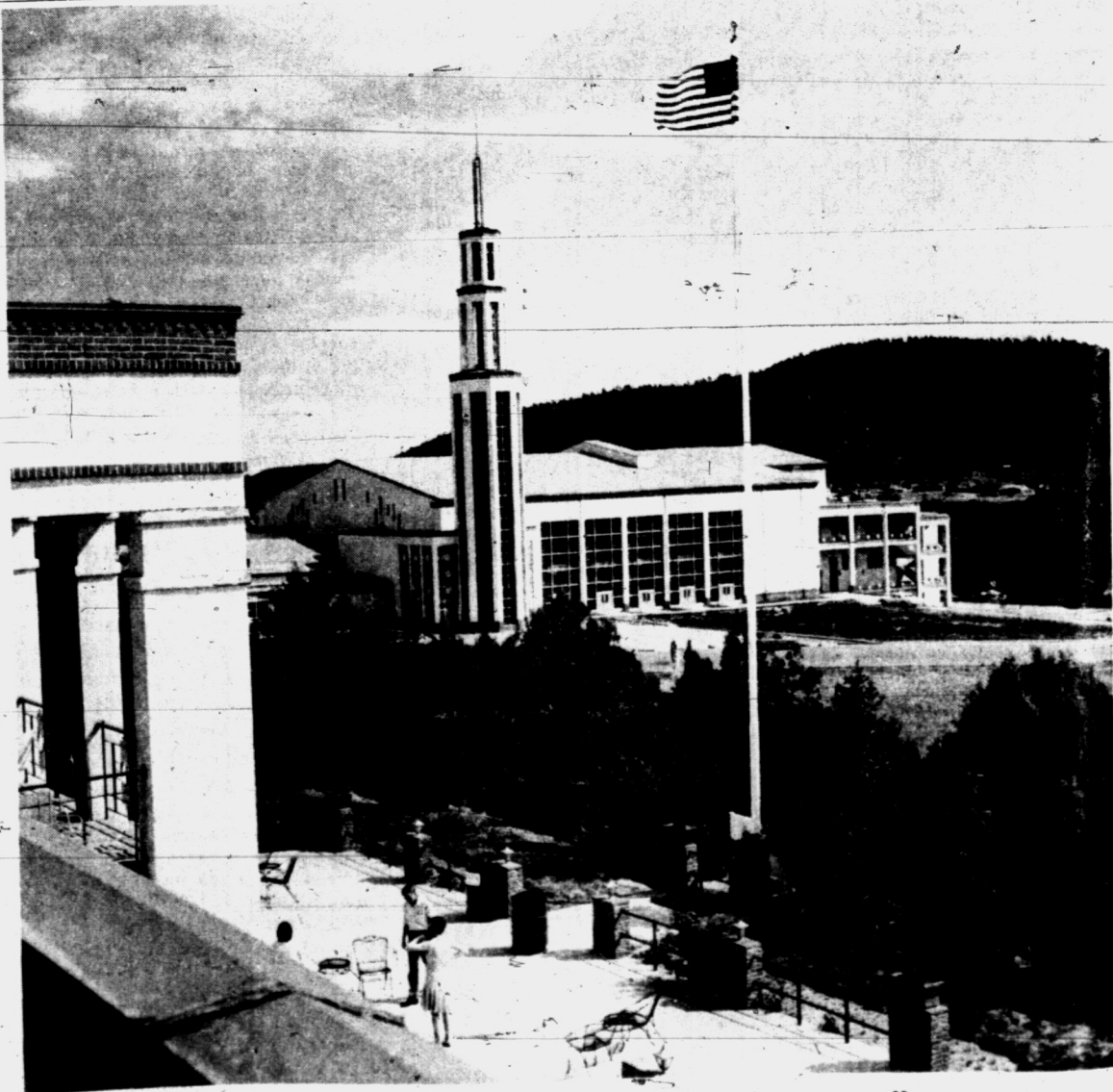
"One of the thrilling parts of this

growth," said the pastor, "has been the large number of young adults who have become a part of the church life, and these young adults with their growing families have taxed our present facilities, not only for adults, but also for children. We have run out of space, and simply must provide the needed room, if we expect the growth of the church to continue," he added.

"Our leaders have faced this problem squarely," continued Dr. Rohrman. "The Long Range Planning Committee has been giving serious study to the problems which the growth of the church has brought, and at what must be done to insure that the church can meet the needs of future."

"From the work of this committee, through long consultation with the staff, with the deacons, and through study of what other churches in similar situations have done, the com-

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Glorieta In "The Land Of Enchantment"

The slender spire, illuminated by lights in the 150-foot-high tower, helps make Holcomb Auditorium the focal

point of Glorieta Baptist Assembly's mountain site near Santa Fe, New Mexico.—(BSSB Photo)

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mittee has developed the new plan." Dr. Rohman presented slides showing what would be housed in the proposed new building and how present facilities would be changed in connection with the enlargement program.

A motion from the deacons was presented by Mr. Roberts. It called for proceeding with the planning for and erection of the new building, and allowing the borrowing of up to \$2,000.

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group of leaders which met recently at the Baptist Building for orientation in the '73 program.

State leaders have also described the joint programs as complementing each other adding that "the purpose of Sunday School Enlargement is to bring people under the influence of Bible teaching with the ultimate hope of winning them to Christ."

Mr. Collum said that "Evangelism '73" meant "Living the Spirit of Christ," "Involved in Witness Training and Activity," "Vitalized in a Personal 'Evangelizing Mississippi Now.'"

The evangelism secretary, continuing, declared that the 1973 Evangelism program would include the following:

Lay Evangelism, including Lay Evangelism Schools, Campus Evangelism, Youth Evangelism, Renewal Evangelism and Association-sponsored Revivals in churches and communities nearby where no baptisms have been reported.

He said that last year 282 churches in the state reported no baptisms and there were churches in 69 of the 76 associations in the state reporting no baptisms.

The copies of "Evangelism '73" carry information also on where all materials for use in the program can be secured.

Bullard Named Executive, New Convention

HARRISBURG, Pa. (BP)—G. W. Bullard of Philadelphia, newly-elected second vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been elected as executive secretary of the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania - South Jersey with headquarters here.

Bullard, currently executive director of the Delaware Valley Baptist Association comprising Baptists in the Philadelphia area, will assume the statewide position effective Aug. 1. Bullard was local arrangements chairman for the Southern Baptist Convention when it met in Philadelphia June 6-8, and was elected second vice president of the SBC during the Philadelphia meeting.

As executive secretary of the Pennsylvania - Southern Jersey convention, Bullard will coordinate the state missions work of Southern Baptists' newest convention. The convention includes 51 churches with about 10,000 members.

He succeeds the late Joe Waltz, who died last December of a heart attack while on a hunting trip in Bedford County, Penn. Waltz, 48, was the first executive secretary of the convention.

Bullard, 61, has been in charge of one of the three associations affiliated with the state convention for the past seven years.

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Erecting the new building and moving several departments into it, will make possible extensive remodeling and shifting of departments in the present building, so that every phase of the church program can be expanded. The new facilities when completed will adequately provide for a Sunday school of up to 2500 attendance.

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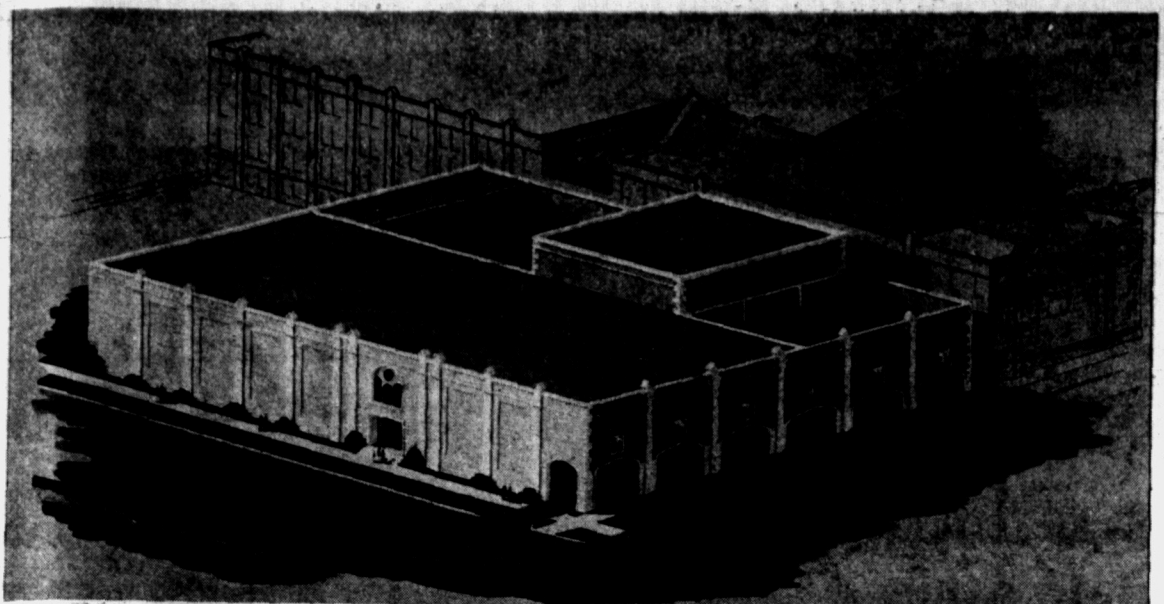
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members. If one of them votes with the conservatives, he makes a simple majority. If both of them vote with the liberals, they have a bare majority.

The cohesiveness of these blocs is demonstrated by the fact that in 67 cases decided by the court, with all four Nixon appointees participating, the bloc voted together 54 times.

The liberal bloc was similarly cohesive. The three justices voted together on 111 out of 151 cases decided during the term.

Since January, Justice White, appointed by President John F. Kennedy, has tended to vote with the conservatives more often than not; and Justice Stewart, appointed by Dwight D. Eisenhower, has often voted with the liberals.

In the final few weeks of the last court term, these "swing" justices helped to account for eighteen decisions on a five to four vote.

A number of these decisions and the pathway that they indicate the court may take in the future are important to Baptists regardless of an individual's position on the separate issues raised by the cases. Justice White voted with the conservative bloc to produce the following results:

—The powers of the police to stop and search people they consider suspects were broadened.

—Private social clubs were allowed to continue to refuse membership to blacks even though the clubs operated with state licenses.

—States were allowed constitutionally to convict an accused if the state constitution and laws allow conviction by less than a unanimous vote of a jury.

—The immunity of a Congressman and his aides in refusing to testify before a grand jury was declared to exist only in the narrow limits of actions in the process of legislation.

—The First Amendment, freedom of the press, permitting reporters to protect their news sources was limited.

—Civilians could get a court order to stop military surveillance on them only if they can show that the surveillance has actually harmed them in some way.

From these and other decisions, some conclusions may be drawn about the court and the direction it is taking.

Warren Court Concerned
The Warren Court was concerned about real or potential abuses of the rights of people by either the national government or the states. Thus they

were active in expanding the meaning of the Bill of Rights to insure that rights of people, even the unpopular groups, would be protected from abuses of power.

The Burger Court has given indications that it generally trusts authorities to use their powers wisely and well. While the court has not specifically reversed any of the major decisions of the Warren years, it has altered some of them and expanded only one.

Though the present court has exhibited less judicial activism this year, the period since Justices Powell and Rehnquist joined the court has seen some signs of activism.

Justices White and Stewart joined the liberals in a five to four decision which declared that in most instances the death penalty is unconstitutional.

The court also limited wiretapping and expanded the right of a dependent to a lawyer in any case which could lead to a jail sentence. In addition, most vagrancy statutes were declared unconstitutional, vague, and parolers were guaranteed a fair hearing before they could be returned to jail for parole violations.

However, the general course of the Nixon appointees have set for the court seems to be one which looks at

the letter of the Constitution and ignores the spirit of the law as it is applied to modern times.

A strict interpretation of the religion clauses of the First Amendment lead to the interpretation that Amish children need not go to school beyond the eighth grade because it interferes with their religious liberty. This may not be as great a victory as some

claimed it to be. This decision and the reasoning involved could be used to justify aid to religious education.

We must wait until the newly-oriented court has ruled on several religion cases, but some constitutional scholars are beginning to wonder if the precedents relating to separation of church and state will escape unscathed.

SBC HOME MISSION BOARD APPOINTS AND PROMOTES MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

ATLANTA (BP)—The Home Mission Board of Directors meeting here appointed three new home missionaries, promoted two people from missionary associate to missionary status, and appointed nine to serve as missionary associate.

The Board of Directors also accepted the resignations of Warren Rawles' associate secretary in the department of Christian social ministries, Kenneth Chafin and Wilson Brumley.

Fred Mosely, assistant executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, will temporarily fill Chafin's position of secretary of the division of evangelism. Brumley's post as regional coordinator will be filled on an interim basis by Leonard Irwin, executive assistant in the Board's planning and coordination section.

Chafin will serve as pastor of South Main Baptist Church in Houston, Tex., and Brumley will be metro missions coordinator of Union Baptist Association in Houston. Rawles did not announce his future plans.

William Lee and Essie Mae Kaufman of Louisville, Ky., were appointed to serve as directors of the Baptist center in Louisville for the department of Christian social ministries.

MC Offers Free Service: New Educational Gift And Financial Planning Program

In a joint statement by Dr. Lewis Nobles, President, and Shelton Hand, Director of Development, Mississippi College has announced an educational gift planning program with Shelton Hand as its director and coordinator.

This is a professional service for all friends and alumni of Mississippi College. As a 1965 graduate, Hand has been in the active practice of law before returning to Mississippi College in 1969. He now assumes the responsibility of serving as the institutional advisor to those interested in making special gifts to insure Mississippi College's program of continued excellence in all academic areas.

"The gift and estate planning program is designed to serve those alumni and friends who already have the desire to aid Mississippi College in special ways," Hand points out. "It is not a fund-raising campaign as such. People who plan to make substantial gifts to the college must necessarily consider how such a gift will affect his own and his family's financial position. We want to help them determine this. And I would like to state that final action on these matters should be taken through the prospective donor's own attorney."

Gift and estate planning has many advantages, with personal satisfaction and tax advantages ranking at the top of the list. Federal tax law now provides that practically all lifetime gifts to education or charity can be deducted to the extent of 50 percent of the giver's adjusted gross income. Formerly, the limitation on some gifts was 30 percent of income.

Hand said, "Under the tax law enacted in 1964, it is no longer necessary to keep charitable gifts within the current year's limitation. Gifts in excess of 50 percent of income can now be carried over and deducted during the five succeeding years."

But Shelton Hand is realistic. He admits and even stresses that it is unlikely that the Development Office can make money for a prospective donor. But the actual cost of any contribution is almost always less than the dollar amount donated.

An example is the case of Mr. A, a widower with an estate of \$200,000. In his will he leaves \$40,000 to Mississippi College and the balance to his only child.

THE TAX RESULTS: Because of the bequest of Mr. A to his college, his Federal estate tax, before allowance of the credit for State tax, is reduced by \$12,000. This means that the actual cost to his estate is only \$28,000 for the bequest of \$40,000. By making a gift of only 20 percent of his estate, Mr. A has been able to reduce his

Federal estate tax by more than 36 percent.

How is such a disproportionate tax saving possible? The answer lies in the fact that the Federal estate tax has an ascending scale of rates. When the amount of your taxable estate is reduced by a charitable or other deduction, you are in effect removing from your estate the highest taxed property. Thus, a reduction in your taxable estate by a certain percentage will usually result in a reduction of the tax by a larger percentage. It is for precisely this reason that bequests for education or charitable purposes can be so tax-economical.

A different example is the case of Mr. B, an alumnus, who owns share of stock that are now worth \$10,000, but which many years ago cost him only \$2,000. He gives the stock to Mississippi College.

THE TAX RESULT: Mr. B can deduct his \$10,000 contribution to Mississippi College on his Federal income tax return for the year in which he makes the gift (within the percentage-of-income limits). But he does not report any gain upon making the gift. Mr. B also has reduced his estate by \$10,000 minus the income tax he saves by means of the deduction. And again, he pays no Federal gift tax.

Here is one of the most advantageous ways to give for education. If Mr. B had sold the stock, instead of giving it to Mississippi College, he would have had a gain of \$8,000 and his capital gains tax could have been as much as \$2,000. But he has no such tax to pay if he gives the stock to Mississippi College. If his stock had gone down in value, it would have been better for him to have sold the stock, taken the loss (which he could deduct on his income tax return), and made Mississippi College the gift of the proceeds of sale.

Federal estate taxes, generally payable within 9 months of death, apply if an individual's estate is valued at more than \$60,000 — and the rates are high enough to cause concern. For example, the federal tax on a taxable estate of \$200,000 is \$32,700. The bigger the estate, of course, the higher the tax — and the property may be taxed again and again as each beneficiary dies. This might be avoided.

Hand pointed out that there is a general misconception as to what is included in one's estate for federal tax purposes.

"Everything you own is subject to the estate tax — your home, your securities, your bank accounts, and your miscellaneous assets. Chances are your life insurance is also taxable as is your jointly owned property,

your business, and some employee benefits. If all this totals \$60,000 or more, your estate will be subject to federal estate taxes."

In making gifts in trust for charitable institutions there are special problems that should be carefully considered in order to avoid losing the tax deduction or the full use of the funds. Your lawyer can tell you how to create a trust that will take full advantage of the charitable deduction. You should consult with him whenever gifts of any consequence are being considered, whether or not a legal document is needed.

"Thinking about an estate," Hand carefully explains, "is not solely for the benefit of millionaires. Persons with estates of \$100,000 or more can benefit, too. And every person should draw up a formal will, regardless of the size of the estate."

The history of Mississippi College has been one of total service. Dr. Nobles and Shelton Hand emphasize that this new educational gift and financial planning program is a confidential service of the college, on a person-to-person basis, to all friends and alumni of the college.

Complete information on this new service may be obtained by contacting Shelton Hand, Director, Development Office, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi, P. O. Box 4005. The phone number is (601) 924-6210.

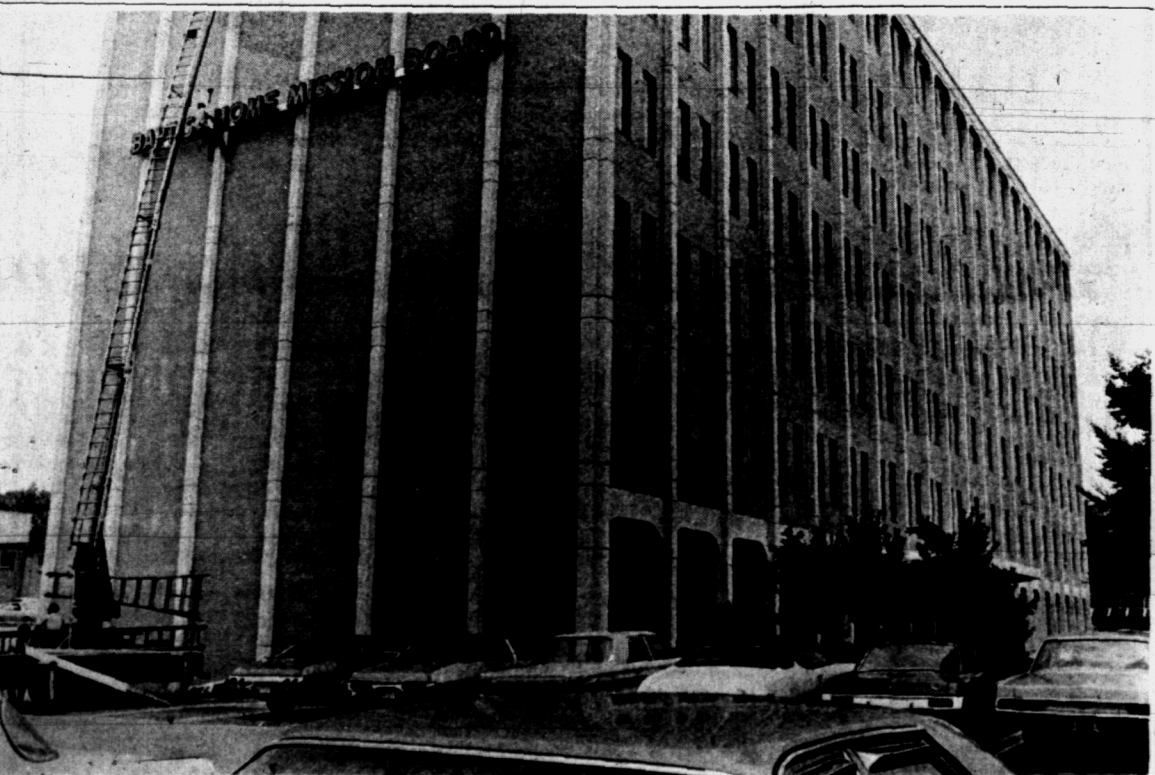
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SBC HOME MISSION BOARD GAINS IDENTITY

In the space of one afternoon an inconspicuous brick building in downtown Atlanta, Georgia gained an identity. After complaints from visitors that they couldn't find the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board building, this sign was erected on the building facing and over-

looking one of Atlanta's busiest sections of expressway. Now members of the bumper-to-bumper club have something extra to read and visitors will know where the Board is. (HMB photo by Chet Brumley)

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Growth Of Cities In Asia Alters Mission Landscape

RICHMOND (BP) — The arrival of metropolitan problems in Asian capitals is sparking new urban ministries for Southern Baptist foreign missions in Asia.

Veteran observers in the Asian trade and cultural centers of Tokyo and Singapore say that radical urban growth has altered the climate and topography of the missionary landscape.

Two such observers are Melvin J. Bradshaw, Southern Baptist missionary in Japan, and R. Keith Parks, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board secretary for Southeast Asia.

Both Bradshaw and Parks say the urban explosion that is reordering customs, values and social structures has tested motivation for foreign missionaries in a way that neither personal privation nor war has done.

Bradshaw believes the situation makes it mandatory that the missionary avoid paternalistic images and relate to his national colleagues on a partnership basis.

Parks says the critical need is to develop new methods to deal with the high-rise life style and materialistic value system sweeping Asian cities.

"Men with inner-city experience in the states will have a relevant model for work in these expanding urban centers," says Parks.

Bradshaw, who works in Hiroshima, points out changes that have taken place during his 20 years of missionary service. "High-rises, white-collar workers, rapid transit, technology and western values have changed Japan," he says. "The traditionally dressed Japanese is the exception in Tokyo, as are traditional Japanese living quarters."

Ron Willis Named Street Minister In San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (BP) — Ron Willis, who pioneered for Southern Baptists in a street ministry in the Haight-Ashbury area of San Francisco, will become street minister of First Baptist Church here, August 15.

For the past 2½ years, Willis, 31, has directed an evangelistic mission program under the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Pangor, Maine.

Willis first joined the Home Mission Board in early 1967 to continue an experimental street ministry which he had begun in Haight-Ashbury in Nov. 1966, while associate pastor of South San Francisco's Immanuel Baptist Church.

Tornado Hits Church During A Service

A tornado struck Poplar Creek Nations Church on Sunday, June 25, while the service was in progress. Although the church did not receive the entire force of the twister, damage was severe enough to the foundation that rebuilding seems to be the most logical approach.

This is a rural church in Montgomery County, with a small membership, and rebuilding for them will be quite an endeavor.

Mrs. Glynn Brooks of Kilmichael, one of the members, says, "I can certainly say that the hand of the Lord was with us who were in the building, and we are so thankful to be alive and to continue our work for Him."

Brotherhood Leaders In Mississippi Rank Third In SBC In Training Awards

MEMPHIS — Brotherhood leaders in Mississippi ranked third among states in the Southern Baptist Convention in Brotherhood training awards earned during the first eight months of the 1971-72 church year.

A Church Study Course report for October-June showed the Mississippians received 606 awards in Brotherhood leadership courses.

Other states in the top five are Florida, 804; South Carolina, 660; Georgia 521; and Tennessee, 429.

Rev. Elmer Howell is Brotherhood director for Mississippi Baptists and Paul Harrell is his associate.



Foxworth Young People Visit Jackson

A large number of young people from the Foxworth Baptist Church recently visited Baptist points of interest in Jackson and they are seen in front of the Baptist Building. Rev. S. R. Pridgen, pastor, can be seen in far rear of picture, next to the wall.



Rutledge Signs First Extend-Now Award

Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board signs the first Church Extension Award in the SBC-wide Extend-Now emphasis as church extension department secretary Jack Redford looks on. Awards signed were to the Hulbert Baptist Church, Hulbert, Mich., for sponsoring a Bible Study Fellowship at Eckerman, Mich., and to the First Baptist Church of Heath in Newark, Ohio, for sponsoring a new church-type chapel at Linnville, Ohio. (HMB photo by Chet Brumley)

SBC Leaders At Glorieta Challenged To 'Reach Out'

GLORIETA — "A note of expectation is becoming very evident in Southern Baptist work across the nation," A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School department, SBC, told the 1600 leaders and officers attending Sunday School Leadership week here at Glorieta Baptist Assembly.

Emphasizing "People to People" concern, A. V. Washburn challenged laymen and ministers to reach out to the over six million Baptist who are not involved in Bible teaching as well as the 150 million in the nation who are not enrolled in anyone's Bible study program.

Good plans and materials are necessary, but are never more effective than the leaders who use them. "Nothing will take higher priority than high standards for teachers and leaders," stated Washburn.

Dave Kimpton, a minister from New Zealand who has been visiting the United States and other countries to see how God is working, said, "Seminaries are good but that's not where people are hurting." Kimpton decided to take a five month international tour in place of studying at a seminary.

As pastor for the week, James B. Henry, pastor of the Two Rivers Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, said that a Christian wasn't being obedient if he wasn't going forth as a witness to Jesus Christ.

"Thousands and millions without Jesus... we are living in a time when it doesn't seem to make as much difference to us any more," he said.

His nightly sermons centered around going forth in urgency, in

compassion, in the power of the Word of God.

GLORIETA — "We are the Lord's people — let us put away party politics," emphasized Bible teacher, Stuart Arnold, consultant with the Sunday School Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, as he spoke to over 1800 Sunday School leaders and teachers attending Glorieta Baptist Assembly.

Arnold compared problems of factoring in the first century church with similar problems churches face today.

"Unity," he said, "comes when there is a recognition of a common enemy and a common cause."

Arnold told teachers and leaders that they needed a high sense of responsibility as they return to their churches and their work.

He reminded them that Paul taught central truths in simple words.

"Not in the wisdom of men but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power," he quoted from first Corinthians.

Although the week centered around new methods and approaches to Sunday School and church work, overriding themes during conference sessions were people to people concern, dedication to Christ and determination to do His will.

Glorieta is located on a 2,500 acre mountain site 18 miles east of Santa Fe, N. M.

The assembly, open all year, is owned and operated by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

Derby Church Plans "People" Crusade

Derby Church near Poplarville is planning a "Spirit of '72: People to People" Crusade, July 30 - August 6, services at 7:30 p.m. A "People Search" is being held prior to the special week.

Rev. Jack Channell, associate pastor of First Church, Red Oak, Georgia, and former pastor in Ayon, Ohio, will be the evangelist. Ralph Ford, minister of music and youth at Good-year, Picayune, will be the music director.

Evangelistic Bible studies will be taught by Rev. Ray Cowart, superintendent of missions, Pearl River Association; Rex Braswell, Baptist layman and president of University Handbag Corporation in Hattiesburg; and Mr. Channell, the evangelist.

The Bibletones Quartet will present a concert Sunday afternoon, August 6. The quartet is led by Ward Hurt of Lumberton.

Under Pastor Jim Waller's leadership, new records have been established at Derby. Sunday school attendance zoomed from 28 last September to 89 last month. (An all-time high of 159 in March topped the old record of 105 established 20 years ago.) Since last October, 60 members have been added, 44 on profession of faith. This is a record number of additions for the church in any one year. (Present resident membership is 156.) A record budget of \$13,500 was adopted for this year. The church has voted to build a new education and fellowship building, and has bought two buses.

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Baptists Clash With Zippies

By Dana Driver

MIAMI BEACH (BP) — A band of "Zippies" disrupted a rock concert here by a group of Jesus people, most of them Southern Baptists from Burlington, N. C., during a side episode at the Democratic National Convention.

The Jesus people came out on the winning side, thanks to the help of four blacks from the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

Jerry Rubin, a leader of the "Yippies" (which includes the Zippie faction), angrily denounced the Jesus group and their cause in an emotion-charged interview afterwards with this reporter.

The New Directions, Inc., an interdenominational group composed primarily of Southern Baptists from Burlington, had come to the convention city for the Miami Baptist Association's "Demo '72," a Christian witnessing effort.

About 45 of the Jesus people had begun a noon rock concert at Flamingo Park, the bivouac area for most of the groups that had come to confront the Democrats with their special messages.

Every group imaginable was there, ranging from such religious cults as the Hari Krishna and Surside Salvation Society to such secular groups as the National Coalition of Gay Organizations and the Women's Liberation Association.

About 10,000 were expected, but barely 2,000 were visible.

Some came with confrontation as their technique, seeking national exposure through the news media for their causes.

Especially vocal groups included the Youth International Party (Yippies and Zippies), the People's Coalition for Peace and Justice, the Students for Democratic Society, and the Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

But the clash between the Jesus people and the Zippies, a faction of the Youth International Party which wanted to put "zip" into the Democratic convention, was largely ignored by the mass media focusing on actions on the convention floor.

It all started when the Baptist-dominated group began to play their rock concert to a mixed audience of park residents — senior citizens who wandered in from the outside, children from a nearby swimming pool, and two cowboys armed with instant cameras just arriving from Oklahoma "to find where the action was."

The audience watched as the youths sang and gyrated to popular songs, most with dual meanings of God and love. The group gave every appearance of being a polished professional rock group.

Clad in jeans and bedecked with yellow and orange tee shirts, most of the Christian youth were their hair long. The young men and women, both black and white, ranged in age from 15 to 21.

After about 20 minutes, an angered Zippie pulled the plug to the group's amplification system without warning.

Calmly, the group's director, J. L. Williams of Burlington, asked the radicals for cooperation and "a chance to do our thing." His remarks brought shouts of mixed reaction from the Zippie and Yippie youth in the crowd.

Some yelled for continuance. Others shouted to stop the performance. As if to settle the question, a band of about 25 Zippies, who earlier had been participating in a pot (marijuana) smoking demonstration under a large Elm tree 100 yards away, jumped on to the improvised stage — a trailer cut in half horizontally.

The intrusion began by pushing the Jesus people to the back of the stage area. Then it intensified.

The Zippies ripped out cords and wires to the amplifying instruments, and shouted through a battery-powered megaphone:

"Jesus freaks, go home. This is a political gathering, not a rock concert."

The crowd increased, anxious to find out what was happening. Arranged before them on the stage was a job of sweaty bodies, some shirtless, waving placards, Zippie banners, and Viet Cong flags.

The New Directions stood numb, except for outstretched arms with index fingers pointing skyward, expressing: "On Way — Jesus."

Most of the Zippies on stage and several in the crowd began chanting: "Jesus freaks, go home."

Others in the crowd, including some Yippies and "straight" people, yelled in opposition: "Let 'em continue. They have a right of freedom of speech too."

The Zippie leaders continued to insist that Flamingo Park was only for political groups, not for Jesus freaks or rock concerts.

Negotiation Sought

During the melee, leaders of the Jesus people sought negotiation. They tried to convince the Zippies they were only entertaining, and presenting Jesus. They did not want confrontation.

The Jesus people, including blacks and whites, remained cool throughout the incident.

Only one struggle broke out when a youth tried to grab the drummer's sticks. A scuffle began, but it quickly

stopped when four big black youth jumped on the stage and separated the group.

The blacks identified themselves as members of the SCLC. Firmly they reprimanded the Zippie leaders for being hypocrites in not allowing the Christian group to continue.

"You're always yelling about freedom of assembly and speech for everyone, and now you're trying to deny it for groups that anger you," the blacks yelled at the Zippies.

The crowd agreed: "Let 'em play," they shouted. "They aren't hurting anyone."

The Zippies, frustrated by the apparent contradiction between their words and actions, reluctantly gave in and left the stage.

As they were leaving, this reporter spotted Rubin, a leader of the Yippies and one of the famed Chicago Seven arrested during the 1968 Democratic National Convention riots.

When asked about his stand on the incident, Rubin responded: "Some times force is necessary to get rid of insurgents who don't have a place here."

Asked if that meant some groups could have expression but others repression, he flashed back angrily: "Don't bait me. I don't like to be baited. This ends the interview. Get away from me."

The response drew another question. Rubin was asked if the pre-convention prediction of violence had been moderated because of contact with local (or other) religious leaders.

Incensed at the question, Rubin responded: "No, these damn Jesus freaks had nothing to do with it. I don't believe in what they're saying and none of them has talked with me; and I wouldn't talk with them even if they tried."

Asked if he believe in the power of God and the power of the Christian movement, Rubin retorted: "Jesus was a junkie. I don't want to be bothered by any more of those kinds of questions."

Mouthing clear, graphic profanity, Rubin told this reporter that if the questions continued, violence might ensue. With that, he left.

After the confrontation, the crowd of more than 200 spectators remained as the young Christians repaired their amplifying equipment and picked up where they had been stopped.

With even more force than before, the youth performed. The crowd responded with applause and shouts of "right on." Some flashed the "one way" sign back to the group.

Almost 30 minutes later, the young people wound up their concert. As

they picked up their equipment, some were asked their reaction to the confrontation.

"I had been in riots before and knew how to keep my cool," responded Charles Allston, 20, a black youth clad in blue jean coat and pants. A red beret perched on his head.

The Burlington youth, one of the lead singers, said he told the Zippies on the stage: "Jesus loves you, man, and we love you too."

Held Up 'One Way' Sign

Nancy Russell, a blind 16-year-old dressed in green denim and a bright orange Jesus tee-shirt, said: "I knew God was watching over us. I was a little scared, but the more I held up my 'one way' sign and prayed, the stronger I became."

Williams, founder and director of the North Carolina group and a Southern Baptist, characterized the confrontation as representative of the world situation.

Nobody cares about anyone except themselves, he lamented. "We wanted to show that we do care," he exclaimed.

"These people were afraid of us. They were so insecure they had to attack."

Asked if he was afraid, Williams said: "Not for myself, but I was concerned for the girls."

Williams, who added the group had been heckled before at other concerts said that he "sort of expected" a physical confrontation at Miami, but not as much as they actually encountered.

As they left, the Christian youth made plans to march into Sen. George McGovern's headquarters at the Doral Hotel with their seven-foot cross to hold a prayer meeting.

Their plan had only partial success. On arrival, they found the hotel lobby jammed with Yippie and Zippie youth conducting a sit-in effort to lure the Democratic presidential candidate from his penthouse suite to talk with them about his stands on Vietnam and racism.

Kneeling on the steps of the motel beneath their cross, the Jesus people held a prayer vigil.

Shortly afterwards, they got into their chartered bus and left for North Carolina. Apparently one big confrontation a day with the Zippies was enough — even if they did come off the winners.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dana Driver, editor of the Baptist Men's Journal published by the SBC Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, was on special assignment for Baptist Press covering the Democratic National Convention.

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In the 1963 Statement of Faith adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention Section XV deals with "The Christian and Social Order." Since it is pertinent to these days, it is reprinted here in full.

"Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and human society. Means and methods used for the

improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Jesus Christ.

"The Christian should oppose in the spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless, and the sick."

"Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under the sway of the principles of righteousness, truth, and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause, always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth."

Don't feel left out if you missed the Democratic Convention. Just tune in the Republicans. The show will be the same with one exception. This time it will be slow-paced donkeys trailing high-stepping elephants.

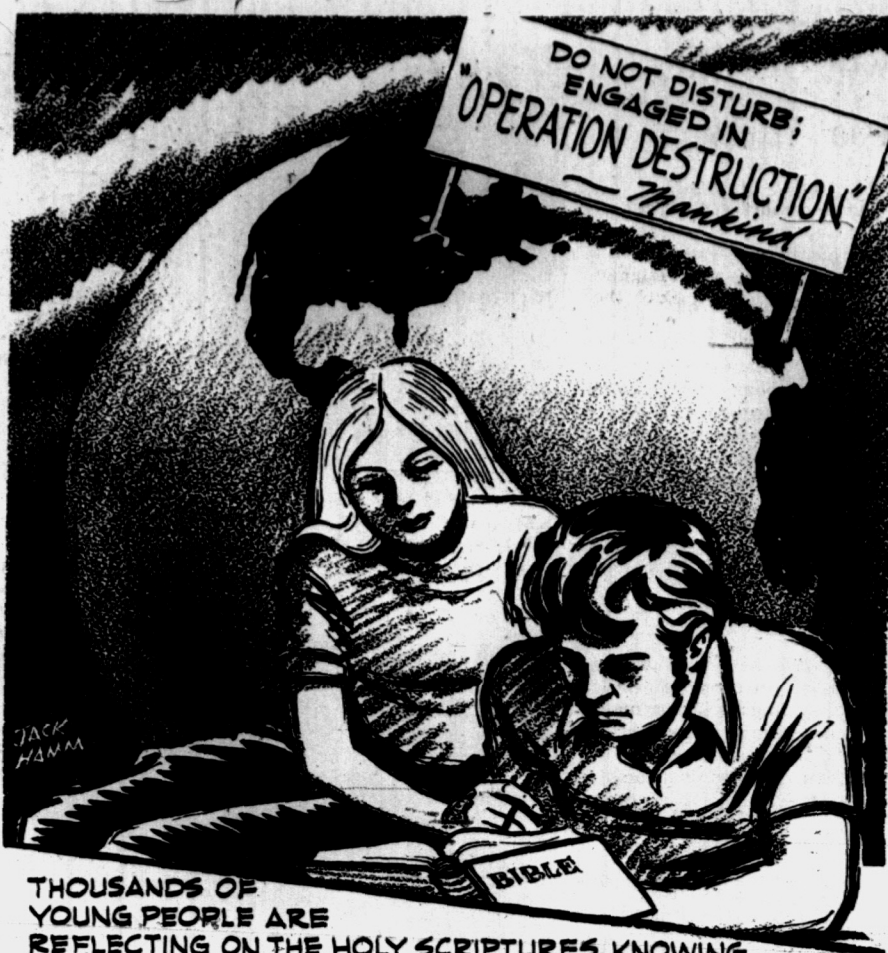
It is sobering to know that some of the chief actors will rule our land for the next four years. Perhaps after watching their very human and oftentimes pathetic actions, we will have a fresh appreciation of the biblical injunction to "Pray . . . for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty."

Tax The Tithe?

L. H. Moore
in Ohio Baptist Messenger

Tax bills introduced into the House by Representative Wilbur Mills of Arkansas and into the Senate by Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana would place a tax on gifts made to the church or to charitable institutions and deny the present exemption that now applies to parsonage allowances in the salary of the ministry by repealing Sections 306 and 107 of the Income Tax Code relating to these two provisions. Both gifts to the church and parsonage allowances are now exempt from taxation through the income tax.

To repeal these exemptions would in effect be to place a tax on the tithe and on the use of the parsonage for the services of the minister. Both would violate a principle in the guarantees of the First Amendment that says Congress shall neither prohibit nor establish religion but guarantee the free exercise thereof. Taxation gives the power to control. To tax gifts to churches and to tax the property a church uses for the exercise of its religious ministries, is to place the church, however indirectly, under potential government direction. Carried to its ultimate by a unfriendly government such taxation could destroy a church. It is this danger that has caused Baptists to champion the free exercise of religion in a free state.



THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE REFLECTING ON THE HOLY SCRIPTURES, KNOWING FULL WELL THAT MAN BY HIMSELF, WITH ALL HIS KNOWLEDGE, HAS UTTERLY FAILED IN SETTING THE WORLD ON THE RIGHT COURSE.

They're Coming Up With Answers

THE BAPTIST FORUM

"Queen Procrastinator" Praises Her Pastor

To All People:

I am a typical Baptist. My greatest sin seems to be that of omission. Crown me Queen Procrastinator.

I deeply admire and appreciate my pastor. Many times, just one little phrase or example in his sermons would help me over a great private struggle, and many times his whole sermon was just what I needed.

I would sit in the pew with my family and think of all the nice things I was going to say to him as soon as the service was over. How that my heart had been touched and how much I appreciated a certain point that he had made. But as I made my way down the line, all my beautiful words had evaporated to the extent that I usually extended my paw and grinned like a silly schoolgirl. I managed to utter a good morning or some other insignificant mumble.

I am sure he puzzled over my silence. At our gatherings I'm usually the most vocal. What I want him to know is that when it comes to something that really means a lot to me, my vocabulary completely escapes me. Then too, over and over you hear people say, "I enjoyed the sermon," which I'm sure most of them did. I thought to myself, this is what he hears over and over, does he really know who did and who didn't?

I was afraid too, that my expression of gratitude would appear as a mere token of courtesy. I didn't want him to think I was saying it for manners when I really meant it so I didn't say a word. I suppose I expected him to read my mind.

Therefore, I conceived the great idea of writing a letter and sending it to the "Record" because he always reads it. Another reason is that I can write much better than I can speak. But I put it off and put it off. Then some lady some time ago wrote the paper of her appreciation for her pastor. My pastor read it and when he told how it thrilled his heart, I could feel my own heart breaking to pieces. Then I felt like I couldn't go on with my plans because he would think I was only following suit.

So what does Queen Procrastinator do? She waits until her pastor resigns to do her bit. This is it, I cannot put it off any longer. Now is the time.

My pastor, Rev. Finley Evans, has been a tower of strength in my life. He and his wife are the first pastor and wife I ever got really acquainted with. Though at the moment they are still with us, I miss them already. But I am lucky. He will assume the duties of our Director of Missions and he will still "sorta" be my pastor.

A search could have been made throughout the whole Southern Baptist Convention and no one more suited for our needs could have been found. His diplomacy far exceeds that of any pastor I have ever met. From personal experience, I know that he will not favor one church over the other but will look upon them all as equal.

He has the ability to relate to the whole church family, from the tiniest tot to the eldest grandparent, from the angriest rebel to the most co-operative, and from the worst of sinners to the most pious saint.

My family and I have grown to love him so much and we want him to know that we shall always be available to him should he ever need us in his new ministry. We would just like to say, Grenada and Yalobusha Counties, we are getting a great guy for our Director of Missions. Within my sorrow, I rejoice that he will still "belong" to us.

To him and Mrs. Evans I want to publicly say how sorry I am for not being a better source of encouragement. I pray that the Lord will richly bless them and give them the wisdom they need for the tremendous responsibility they have undertaken.

Mrs. Thomas Simmons
Hebron Baptist Church
Grenada, Mississippi



A Woman's World Reaches Far

Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

Sometime ago I read a news story about a jet cargo airliner which mistakenly landed on an air field that was actually too small to care for the big ship. The instruments somehow maneuvered the ship onto the field in spite of the fact that folks who are supposed to know said, after it had happened, that such a landing was technically and mechanically beyond the ship's ability.

If the pilot had known it was supposed to be impossible to land there, he probably would never have even tried it, much less made it.

That news story made me think about people and limitations, especially Christian people who are trying to follow the Lord's leadership. Sometimes a Christian accomplishes a feat as seemingly impossible as the jet cargo's landing. The power and the possibility were always there. The third element of the reality was a Christian to use the power and explore the possibility.

I think especially of Christians who are able to overcome the limitations which Satan throws out to frustrate them — limitations like self-doubt, lack of self-discipline, the pesky things that make life slip into mediocrity. Mediocrity is probably Satan's favorite tool; he may like it even more than he likes procrastination.

It would seem to me that we do not need any more folks listening to Satan saying, "You can't accomplish that. It's impossible."

Much better to claim the same power Paul spoke of, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."—Address: Box 9151, Jackson 39206.

EDUCATION...what's happening

COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE BRIGHTER

College students are brighter now than 50 years ago, according to a study sponsored by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education just released.

The study, prepared by professors Paul Taubman of the University of Pennsylvania and Terrence Wales of the University of British Columbia, covered the IQ of college students back to the 1920s.

"It is apparent that the quality of college students has not declined," the professors reported. "In fact, through this period it has noticeably increased."

Because of economic reasons, the report explained, about 90 percent of bright young people now go to college. Fifty years ago, only about 60 percent could afford to go.

Every thinking person knows that we have come to a world crisis. Is it brought about by man's rejection of God? Are we reaping the harvest of false doctrine?—Joe Odle in *Is Christ Coming Soon?*, a Broadman book

A person usually criticizes the individual whom he secretly envies.

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NEWEST BOOKS

Mississippian Writes On Training Children About Church

FINDING OUT ABOUT MY CHURCH by Margaret Ann Cummings (Convention Press, 72 pp., paper).

Margaret Ann Cummings, wife of Bryant M. Cummings, director of the Sunday School Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, is author of an attractive and interesting new book. Leadership material, the book is a unit for use with younger children in the New Church Study Course. Through five Bible stories, the unit emphasizes the functions of a church and provides suggestions with which boys and girls can compare their own church's worship and work with those of biblical places and days. The numerous activities Mrs. Cummings supplies for the unit are richly varied, and she tells the Bible stories with originality and clarity. Director of a second-grade Sunday School department of Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, Mrs. Cummings has written Sunday School and Vacation Bible School curriculum for first and second graders.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END by Tim LaHaye (Tyndale, 173 pp., paper, \$1.95) The widely-known pastor of Scott Memorial Baptist Church in San Diego says that the present generation of humanity on earth is the last one and that we are approaching the midnight hour of the world's history. He discusses signs of the Return of the Lord and especially emphasizes some which never have happened before. His conclusion is that these signs say that the coming of the Lord is near. This man, who is well known in Mississippi for his word in the field of marriage counsel and Christian dedication, writes in the same popular vein on SIGNS OF THE COMING OF THE LORD.

JESUS' PROPHETIC SERMON by Walter K. Price (Moody, 160 pp., \$4.95) Walter K. Price, who is a Baptist pastor in Kentucky, presents an exposition of the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth chapters of Matthew as Jesus answers to the question of disciples "What shall be the sign of thy coming and of the end of the age?" This is one of the most thorough verse by verse discussions of this important scriptural passage that we have seen. One may not agree with every interpretation, but he will find here new understanding of the great truths of this message by Jesus to his disciples on the events pointing to and accompanying his return. Serious students of the Second Coming will find this to be a most helpful book.

THE VISIONS AND PROPHECIES OF ZECHARIAH by David Baron (Kregel, 555 pp., \$6.95) Reprint of an important volume on the Prophecies of Zechariah which first was published in 1918. The author seeks to point out the great Messianic prophecies in this book and then to unfold and emphasize the great and solemn prophetic events which center around the land of Israel and the people. These are events which men may now see beginning to be fulfilled. This is not a light study, but deep, dedicated, searching of the word of God.

THE UNHOLY LAND by A. C. Forrest (Devin-Adair, 178 pp., \$5.95) What is the true situation in the Holy Land? What is actually happening between the Jews and the Arabs? This author is a Canadian and the book first appeared in Canada. Numerous visits have been made to the refugee camps. He has talked both with the leaders and the people of both ethnic groups. He says "There is little hope of lasting peace in the Middle East until there is redress of that injustice." He says "Israel is now a racist and aggressive state." Many who read this book will not agree with it. They

will find that it does present an amazing story which gives the "other side" and the present struggle. Those who see the return of Israel to her land and her reestablishment as a nation understanding of the cost of such an action. They will have a better understanding of the distress which exists in the world in these "last days."

THE STONES AND THE SCRIPTURES by Edwin Yamauchi (Holman, 207 pp., \$5.95) Another book in the series called "An Evangelical Perspective." The author is a native of Hawaii who now is a professor at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He has done much study in Israel, making numerous field trips to mounds and excavation sites. The book shows how that archaeology has confirmed many Bible facts, but also acknowledges that some confirmation still is lacking. In a very scholarly manner the author reveals what the newest discoveries have accomplished in confirming Bible truths.

EVANGELISM NOW Edited by Ralph G. Turnbull (Baker, 112 pp., \$1.95) The author collects 10 messages from evangelical writers who discuss what is happening in the field of evangelism across a wide spectrum of evangelical Christianity today. One learns something of what is happening in evangelistic witness in many denominations and among numerous leaders.

MASTERS OF DECEPTION by F. W. Thomas (Baker, 162 pp., paper, \$2.45) An expose of the Jehovah's Witnesses, with clear cut suggestion for refuting their teachings. This will be a most helpful manual for meeting and answering those who come to knock at the door determined to present their literature and their phonograph message. This book tells how to deal with their false teachings.

MISSIONARY PROGRAMS AND IDEAS by Charlotte E. Arnold (Baker, paper, 139 pp., \$1.50) Here are excellent suggestions for adding spark to missionary meetings. These ideas have been tested by the author, who offers hints for posters and announcements along with unusual ways of implementing a variety of projects for missions, missionaries, and missionary families. Helpful films, books, and magazines are recommended. The second section gives in-an-nutshell background information on Africa, Europe, South America, Asia, North America, and Australia.

WAYS TO PLAN AND ORGANIZE YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL by Rex E. Johnson (Regal Books, paper, 104 pp., \$1.95) A plan book for those in work with or wish to work with youth, grades 7 to 12, in Sunday school.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE by Kenneth Taylor, Dave Grant, and Jack Wiens (Tyndale House, paper, \$1.95, 709 pp.) Student edition of the Living New Testament with study helps and illustrations. Includes glossary, introductory notes before each book, and other helps.

RECOVERY OF MINISTRY by Orin Johnson (Judson Press, \$1.50, paper, 62 pp.) A guide for the laity: Through a series of small-group sessions, persons are guided in supporting one another as they build the foundations for their ministry to others.

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON ANNUAL, 1972-73 (Abingdon, paper, 444 pp., \$2.95) A comprehensive commentary on the International Sunday School Lesson, this annual is in its 18th year. Its comments begin in September, 1972 and go through August, 1973, and include introduction, of the main

question, explanation of Scripture, an analysis of the meaning of the Bible text in terms of life today, teaching suggestions, an index of Scripture, and a subject index. Horace R. Weaver is editor; Charles M. Laymon did the lesson analysis.

THE JESUS PEOPLE SPEAK OUT! compiled by Ruben Ortega (David C. Cook, paper, 95c, 128 pp.) Here are the actual words of the Jesus People taken from taped interviews compiled by Mr. Ortega, concerning what and why they believe as they do.

PROTESTANTISM by Martin E. Marty (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 368 pp., \$8.95) A scholarly study of the history and advance of Protestantism to its present position in the world. The author shows the background of the Protestant world, its existence today, and the hopes for the future. The subtitle reads "Its churches and cultures, rituals and doctrines, yesterday and today." This is a scholarly presentation which requires serious study. However, one needing to understand the amazing things happening in the Protestant world will have his eyes opened by the perceptiveness of this author.

A TIME TO SEEK by Lee Fisher (Abingdon, 127 pp., paper, \$1.95) Christ centered discussions of problems which confront youth such as identity, friendship, love, right and wrong, involvement, suffering, God, conversion, etc. These messages are beamed to young people and should have a wide appeal to them.

On The MORAL SCENE...

The world's population will double in 28 years if its annual 2% rate of increase is maintained, the latest UN Statistical Yearbook said. It put the world's 1970 population at about 3.6 billion. The book also said that during the 1960's the world's population rose 22%. The total output of goods and services, however, more than kept pace. It rose 70% in the period. World exports last year rose 10% to \$344 billion, the book showed. And it said the citizens of Ireland consumed the most calories each day, 3,450 per person. (Wall Street Journal, 7-10-72)

Figures made available recently show that the gap between the have and have-not nations is steadily widening. In those countries where shortages of food, housing, and industrial production make life most difficult, the rate of production cannot keep very far ahead of the sharp rise in population; while in the developed countries, the growth of population is significantly less and industrial and agricultural production is much higher, thus providing an increasingly better standard of living. The statistics, the most comprehensive available, were published by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations in an 816-page volume. The disparity in terms of standard of living can perhaps be illustrated most dramatically in terms of the consumption of energy. In 1970, the developing countries, with a combined population more than twice as large as that of the developed countries, consumed only a little more than one-seventh of the energy produced. All sources of energy . . . are compared in terms of the energy that would be produced by a metric ton of coal, 2,200 pounds. In those terms, each individual in the U. S. consumed the equivalent of 11.1 metric tons in 1970, compared with a world per capita average of 1.9. (Richmond Times-Dispatch, 7-10-72)

The "Year Of Dropping": A Pastor Evaluates His Sabbatical

By Macklyn W. Hubbell,
pastor, First, Cleveland

As the Sabbath marked the close of a cycle of seven days, so the Sabbatical year closed a cycle of seven years. This special year was designated as the period of time in which the land was to be "dropped," i.e., to remain uncultivated. The fields and vineyards were to lie fallow for the year. Any spontaneous growth from the fruit trees or grain fields was not limited to the land owner's family, but it was to be consumed by the poor as well as by the domestic and wild animals.

Furthermore, this Sabbatical year had other designations, "year of cancellation" and "year of Sabbatical distance," and other dimensions, such as, the releasing of Hebrew male slaves.

The Sabbatical year was important to the Old Testament economy. Eventually it became important in a modified form to academic settings for universities, colleges, and seminaries adopted policies permitting faculty members to enjoy "a year of dropping." Based on contracts or less formal agreements faculty members were permitted to spend a period of freedom from academic duties.

As a young seminarian I used to

wish for such a policy in the local church, where I would be eventually, and beyond the wishful stage, I determined to inaugurate such a policy in whatever parish I served. Actually the Sabbatical of 1970-1971 was a dream fulfillment.

I. A Night - time Dream

Just how Sigmund Freud would have interpreted this fifteen year old dream, I am not quite certain. Nonetheless it was in a sense a night-time dream that became a day - time reality.

After serving the First Baptist Church, Cleveland, Mississippi, for eight years, I decided that I needed to take one of two courses: 1) resign and move on or 2) request a "year of dropping." It was in similar terms that I presented these alternatives to a "blue ribbon" committee in our church composed of nine former chairmen of deacons.

Their deliberations were not too painfully long. Feeling positively about the "year of dropping," they proposed that the matter be presented to the Deacons for their consideration. The mood of this group was the same as that of the "blue ribbon" committee. At this procedural point the congregation was next. On a Sunday morning in June, 1970, the con-

gregation voted by show of hands their unanimous approval. (Not being fully satisfied with the validity of this vote, I submitted a questionnaire to the congregation in July, 1971, to determine how the congregation would have voted if a secret ballot had been taken. Ninety - one percent of those not abstaining indicated that they would have voted for the deacon's recommendation.)

II. Mechanics of the "Year of Dropping"

Like any other plan, the mechanics of the program had to be worked out. After all Snuffy Smith's concepts of the pastoral ministry are not universally valid. To be sure, some ministers like some parishioners could be absent for a year and no one would ask, "Where have you been?"

In most instances the minister pulls his own weight. For obvious reasons, arrangements had to be made for my absence whether I would be missed or not. These arrangements included my relationship to the church membership during the Sabbatical:

1) My preaching schedule included the first Sunday mornings of each month and each Sunday morning in

September, December, and August.

2) My pastoral duties included returning for crises.

Other arrangements included the relationships designated persons would have during this period of twelve months:

1) The duties of the church staff remained basically the same.

2) Visiting pulpits guests served for six to nine Sundays each.

3) The deacons served as church visitors and leaders for the Wednesday evening services.

III. Points of View

Now that the Sabbatical has come and gone, I am in a position to evaluate the "year of dropping." There are at least three points of view which will be herein reviewed, the church's, the pulpits guests', and the pastor's.

In considering the church's point of view, I asked a representative group of people within the congregation to state how they felt about the Sabbatical. Here are some excerpts from their evaluations:

A fifth grade boy offered this comment, "I think every church should have a Pastoral Sabbatical (sic)." An eleventh grade girl commented,

"The only thing I wondered about was who would be preaching for us during this year."

A recent graduate of high school wrote, "I was worried at first when the plan was presented - about what I don't know."

A college student made this observation, "Being without a full - time pastor for one year could have been very detrimental to the life of our church if the members had not taken the initiative to take up the slack in church affairs while the pastor was away."

Two adult members made these comments, "I am glad my church pioneered in this venture," and that there was "an unusual feeling of unity seldom seen in a large church."

Similarly the pulpits guests were asked to reflect on their observations during their period of service. One of the guests—Clark Hensley of the Christian Action Commission, Mississippi Baptist Convention, concluded by saying

It seems to me that the success of such a venture is predicated upon:

1. The security the pastor feels in his position and purpose

2. The maturity of the leadership of the congregation
3. The associate who must carry out the plans
4. The integrity and ability of those "filling in" to relate to the situation

Prior to the vote of the church, I had apprehensions about such a "year of dropping." After all I had never experienced such and it was new to the congregation as well. What might happen? I knew what I hoped would happen. I hoped that the Sabbatical would have the following effects:

- 1) A break in routine would revitalize me as a person and as a pastor.
- 2) A return to a university setting where the "water hits the wheel" would force me to do some rethinking and regrouping.
- 3) A concentrated study of one area of pastoral work would sharpen my "professional" tools.
- 4) A return to the pew would give me a fresh perspective.
- 5) A reunion with my family on a different level would be refreshing.

I was not disappointed. The fears I had were unfounded and my hopes were realized.

Alaska Leaders Discover "Cabin Fever" Remedy

By Everett Hullum

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (BP) — A remedy for "cabin fever" was discovered recently by a group of Southern Baptist pastors and their wives from all over Alaska.

Men who pastor churches in these vast areas, as well as their families, are not immune to the depression that comes from weeks — even months — alone in areas with few people and no access to the outside world except plane travel.

The "aloneness" is cabin fever; it may not be in the Johns Hopkins lexicon, but Alaskans testify to its validity.

The ingredients for the cure include fellowship, fun, study — stirred together at the first Alaskan Pastors' Retreat in late May at Alyeska Ski Lodge near Anchorage.

The spring-thaw retreat, sponsored jointly by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board and the Alaska Baptist Convention, attracted 61 state leaders and their wives — about 60 per cent of the state's denominational leadership.

Featured on the program were D. C. Martin, professor of New Testament at Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Ariz., and James Barber, assistant secretary in the Home Mission Board's department of Christian social ministries. Paul Barnes, assistant to the president at Grand Canyon College, and his wife, Barbara, led the music.

Equally featured were opportunities for fellowship and discussion — woven into the loosely structured program — that are so important after months of isolation, loneliness and frustration in remote areas.

Alaska Southern Baptist pastors range from Kotzebue in the Arctic Circle, to Annette, the state's southernmost town — a distance as great as from Atlanta to San Francisco.

"You'll never know what this meeting has meant to us," said Eunice Bryant, wife of Hollis Bryant of First Baptist Church, Juneau.

For Betty Brown, whose husband Dan is associate pastor at Annette, the retreat was the first time in two years she'd been off the island. "I couldn't believe it when we saw stoplights in Anchorage," she laughed.

"If we'd had this sooner, maybe I

wouldn't be leaving," added a pastor who, after seven years in Alaska, resigned two days before the retreat to return on doctor's orders to the "lower 48," as the states to the south are called here.

"I think we accomplished our objectives," said Troy Prince, the state convention's executive secretary.

"We had planned five things," he added.

"First, fellowship — we wanted to get to know each other under pleasant circumstances.

"Second, we wanted to help each other get rid of the guilt complexes we have when we try to be nice to ourselves. You know, sometimes the work up here is so hard and discouraging, pastors start blaming themselves and pushing themselves to do more and more. They forget to be nice to themselves.

"Third," Prince continued, "we wanted to give encouragement; we wanted the pastors to go back to their places of service with some good memories — and have something to look forward to next year.

"Fourth, we wanted to provide biblical understanding that would be supportive; and fifth, we wanted an opportunity for wives to get to know each other and know they are appreciated," Prince said.

The retreat had been jelling for more than two years, according to Prince, but short circuits in funding kept killing it.

But Prince recognized the need for it shortly after coming to Alaska in July of 1971.

"When I came the Executive Board asked me to go to every church as soon as possible. We did, and visited in the homes of the pastors. Many times they'd want to stay up all night — they were that hungry for conversation and fellowship.

"Over and over again, the feeling was expressed that they needed this retreat — they felt isolated, forgotten — and this created a depression, a frustration that made their work ineffective," he said.

The pastors were not complaining, Prince explained, just stating facts. "I felt loneliness and isolation were our biggest problems, and I wanted to do something to alleviate them," he concluded.



New Billy Graham Film, "The Hiding Place"

BURBANK, CALIFORNIA — Bill Brown, president of World Wide Pictures, producers of Billy Graham films, announced that arrangements have been made to make a motion picture based on the current religious best-seller **THE HIDING PLACE** by Corrie ten Boom, co-authored with John and Elizabeth Sherrill. The picture is scheduled to begin production within the next few months on locations in Holland, Germany, and at World Wide Pictures, Burbank studios. The time sequence for the film will cover the years prior to and during the invasion and occupation of Holland by the Nazis. It was during this time that Corrie ten Boom, her elderly father, and sister Betsie, were leaders in the Dutch underground hiding Jewish people in their home in a specially built room called **THE HIDING PLACE**, and aiding the dreaded Ravensbruck Concentration Camp where Betsie, along with 96,000 other women, died. Yet to quote Betsie, as she told Corrie, "Tell the world the glorious things we have learned in this place and of the faithfulness of God." Since the war Corrie has become a world traveler and despite her eighty years she keeps a full schedule of speaking engagements sharing the faithfulness of God and heralding the risen Christ.

Puppets Make Trouble In The Garden Of Eden

By Charles Willis

RIDGECREST (BP) — "Hello, Eve," said the snake.

"Hello, Snake," responded blonde Eve, stylishly covering her paper bag body with a large Poplar leaf.

This was the scenario at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly as third and fourth grade day campers applauded the puppets their fellow campers had created. The script, written by the youngsters had adapted the themselves, continued:

"Wouldn't you like to have an apple?" Snake said enticingly.

"What's an apple?" Eve replied innocently.

"It's that fruit over there on that tree," came the Snake's response.

"Oh, no, no, no," she said. "God told me not to eat anything on that tree."

"God wouldn't care," he responded.

"Oh yes He would," Eve countered. "He told me if I ate from that tree something awful would happen to me."

"Well, I ate an apple, and nothing happened to me," the snake strutted.

"O.K. then, do a triple flip," challenged Eve.

Six small hands emerged from the paper "Garden of Eden" to assist the snake.

"See, nothing's wrong with me," he bragged.

"Well, I guess I could eat it then," Eve admitted.

After giving a shrill whistle through her teeth, Eve yelled "ADAM! Don't you want to eat an apple?"

"No," declared a black - robed Adam. "God told us not to eat those!"

"Oh, come on, Adam! Haven't you heard 'An apple a day keeps the doctor away'?"

"Oh, I guess I don't want any doctors," conceded Adam.

Each took a bite of the "apple" that very much resembled an acorn. Then they vanished into the garden.

The female - sounding voice of God came from behind the Indian blanket backdrop, "Why are hiding?"

"Because we ate the apple," they chorused.

"Then you will have to leave the garden," declared God.

The scene closed with the dramatic sobs of Adam and Eve.

Loud applause followed. The "show," designed to teach the Bible in an interesting fashion, was over.

The script and scenery came straight from the candid thoughts of third and fourth graders, who censored the original Bible account of their stars' nakedness.

As occasionally happens in professional theatrics, one actor felt doubt

about his part. The carrot - topped boy playing Adam's voice wondered, "Was Adam a red head?"

Camp director Carey Jones commented that "Day camp is based on creativity. God has given us this outdoor laboratory called nature, and here the child creates his new world of bugs, rocks, leaves, creeks and critters."

"By putting himself into the moccasins of the primitive Indian, the camper experiences the worth and beauty of the outdoors. By seeing God's purpose in all this he can better grasp a personal God who has purpose for his life," said Jones, a native of Clinton, N. C.

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Something New

Children's Bible Stories On Audio Cassette

The golden years of retirement do, indeed, glow when you can cram 48 hours of activity into a mere 24.

For that's just what Theodore L. Lott is doing. Not lazy and never one



JOY IN WORKING — When Theodore L. Lott retired because of disability from the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission he found himself working just as hard in other Christian activities — like writing and producing Children's Bible Stories on audio cassette. — Photo by Rachel Colvin, Radio and TV Commission.

to enjoy idle moments, Mr. Lott is now up to something new — Children's Bible Stories on audio cassette.

He not only writes the stories but selects the sound and music effects, then uses professional actors in producing the cassettes. The first ones are on the market with others scheduled for release soon.

"They're perfect for Sunday School and Vacation Bible School activities, and anywhere else that Bible stories are used," he said. "They'd be handy for a working mother who might occasionally be too tired to tell her child a Bible story. We hope to get the cassettes into the Baptist Book Stores and other denominational book stores. We're crossing denominational lines like crazy."

You may try, but you'll not convince Mr. Lott that coincidence was responsible for this new venture.

"For me, work is the joy of living. I don't feel 'retired'. I'm turned on from the minute I get up in the morning until I have my prayer at night. I expect to be creative until I'm dead. And I don't expect that for a long time yet."

"After retiring (by reason of disability) from the Southern Baptist Ra-

dio and Television Commission in 1970, I worked briefly as program director and assistant to the president of a local television station. The very day I resigned from that job I was approached by Richard Gordon, president of World Christian Tape Center in Dallas, about producing children's Bible stories.

"I liked the idea. When Gordon asked who I might get to write the stories I told him I'd always written what I needed. My wife checked out an armful of children's literature from the library. I bought two more children's study books and read all of them to familiarize myself with the idiom."

With that information — and an extensive background in writing and producing (he is a former director of radio production at the Radio and Television Commission and served as head of the educational service department) Mr. Lott went to work.

"There's no set time that it takes to write a story," he said. "I am able to completely visualize the story I want to tell, including sound effects and production cues, before putting it on paper. Some individual stories are more easily written than others."

"Some weekends I can sit down on Friday and Saturday and write, maybe, five stories. And if I want to get out the typewriter a bit on a Sunday, I may be able to finish others." He smiled mischievously. "I don't think I'll ever run out of material. We do have an inexhaustible source in the Bible."

Eleven stories are completed and the first cassette — containing five stories — has been released. Each story is from three to five minutes long.

The stories are told by Miss Nella Pitts of Dallas, a radio and television personality known as Miss Vicki. She is heard regularly on the Dallas Romper Room, a children's program. "Ed Stanley of the commission's radio department helped in the initial taping. Angela Garcia, a secretary in the Commission's language department, was willing to use her abilities as an illustrator to create art for the cassettes. And Melynda Wester of the Commission's art department was the graphic artist who designed the promotional materials that would be printed about the cassettes."

That's not all. The Bible stories are being recorded in Spanish.



Honored By Religious Heritage

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Five Americans were honored by Religious Heritage of America at the organization's 22nd annual National Awards Program in Washington, D.C. Honored were, from left: Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame and chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, who received the 1972 Clergyman of the Year award; Dr. Charles Forbes Taylor, who received a Gold Medal Award honoring his 50 years as an evangelist; Mrs. Lenore Romney, named Churchwoman of the Year in recognition for her efforts for human welfare in civic affairs, social service, education, mental health and the arts; Jerome Hines, a Metropolitan Opera star who was presented the Churchman of the Year award for his personal Christian witness within the performing arts, and Dr. Kenneth N. Taylor, given a special award for his Biblical paraphrase called **The Living Bible**.—(RNS Photo).

Names In The News

Rev. David Turner, pastor of First Baptist Church, Cahokia, Illinois, is featured in the current issue of *The Deacon*. The magazine contains an article about his work when he was in Louisiana. Mr. Turner is a native of Pontotoc, Mississippi, where he was a member of West Heights Church.

Pat Tullos Newton (Mrs. Jim Newton of Nashville, Tennessee) is author of two articles for *Children's Leadership*, a magazine (for directors of Sunday school departments for children 6-11) published by the Baptist Sunday School Board. One of her articles was printed in the April-June, 1972 issue. The other will appear in the Jan.-March, 1973 issue. Mrs. Newton is a native of Clinton, Ms., a graduate of Mississippi College, and a former employee of the Baptist Record. Her husband is assistant director, Baptist Press.

Rev. and Mrs. James E. Young, missionaries to Bangladesh, may now be addressed at Panchgachia Rd., Feni, Bangladesh. He is a native of Thomaston, Miss. She is the former Guinevere Jenkins of Kosciusko.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Winfield Applewhite, missionaries to Indonesia, have moved from Kediri to Bukittinggi (address: Box 1, Bukittinggi, Sumbang, Indonesia). Born in Atlanta, Ga., he made several moves during childhood, but lived longest in Jackson, Miss. She is the former La Verne Viverette of Union, Miss.



Bill McPherson, Plummer Till, and Carlton Hall (left to right above), were ordained as deacons July 9 at Eastside Church, Pelahatchie. Rev. Travis Polk, pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Harvey O. Headrick, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, were scheduled to depart June 20 for Brazil (address: Caixa 572, 01000 Sao Paulo, San Paulo, Brazil). Both Mr. and Mrs. Headrick are Louisianans. He is a native of Longstreet; Mrs. Headrick, the former Betty Colvin, was born in Alexandria and also lived in Homer while growing up. Before they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1950, he was pastor of churches in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

William Carey College's president, Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, hosted a luncheon to honor the school's first two students to complete internships in the area of community services. Marshall (Mike) Harris, student from Mobile, and Tim Beatty, student from Hattiesburg, were joined at the luncheon by four Hattiesburg community officials who directed their internship program during the past months. These were: Commissioner A. L. Gerrard, Building Inspector Ed Morgan, and two Southern Miss. Economic and Planning Development officials — Executive Director Les Newcomb and Planner Allan Neel. Both Harris and Beatty have now completed all classwork and internship requirements and were awarded their degrees on July 8.

Rev. Hugo Ruiz, Spanish editor for the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, was the evangelistic speaker for the Second Congress of the Pan-American Union of Baptist Men in Cali, Colombia, S. A. during its meeting there in July. Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., president of the Southern Baptist Convention, was president of the Congress.

Dr. W. Levon Moore on July 16 observed his 12th anniversary as pastor of First, Pontotoc. During these twelve years there have been 700 additions to the church, almost 300 by baptism. Over 50% of the present members have joined during Dr. Moore's ministry. The budget has increased from \$42,266.67 to \$101,364.77. Total receipts have amounted to more than one million dollars, about \$300,000 going for world missions. A new pastorial home has been built, a parking lot bought and paved, a new educational building costing over one-quarter million dollars has been constructed, and many other physical improvements have been made on the property. Total property value has increased from \$300,000 to \$785,000. The total indebtedness is less than \$50,000. Under Mrs. Moore's leadership the music ministry has developed to be one of the best anywhere. On the anniversary date, special recognition was given to those who have joined the church during the last twelve years.

Rev. Louie Farmer, Jr., Baptist student director at University of Southern Mississippi, was on the program of the BSU Directors' National Workshop held at the University of Oklahoma July 10-14. Mr. Farmer led three one-hour discussions on work with married students. Twenty local BSU directors and the state director, Rev. Ralph B. Winders, attended the workshop from Mississippi.

Rev. and Mrs. Edward B. Trott, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, are scheduled to depart June 27 for Brazil (address: Caixa 121, Campina Grande, Paraiba, Brazil). Born in Dallas, Tex., Trott also lived for a short time near White Oak, Okla., while growing up. Mrs. Trott, the former Freda Porter, was born in Meridian, Miss., and also lived in Longview, Tex. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1957, he was pastor of Toombs and Kewanee Baptist Churches, Lauderdale County, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Arthur Comper, missionaries, are scheduled to leave Nigeria in July for furlough in the States (address: Rt. 1, Box 194, Florence, Miss. 39073). Both are native Mississippians.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Erwin, missionaries to Brazil, have completed language study in Sao Paulo, and are beginning their first term of service in Tupia (address: Caixa 200, 17600 Tupia, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Mrs. Erwin is the former Veronica (Ronnie) Wheeler of Sandersville, Miss.

John E. Beard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Beard of New Albany, received the Master of Divinity degree during summer commencement exercises at Southwestern Seminary, July 21, at Fort Worth.

Dr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, were scheduled to depart July 8 for Switzerland (address: Albisstrasse 17, 8800 Thalwil, Switzerland). Moore, a Mississippian, was born in Clarksdale.

Rev. and Mrs. Thomas E. Thurman, missionaries to Bangladesh, may now be addressed at Baptist Mission, Faridpur, Bangladesh. Thurman is a native of Monticello, Miss.

Miss Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, missionary who has completed leave in the States, was scheduled to depart July 7 for Nigeria (address: P. M. B. 5113, Ibadan, Nigeria). Miss Kirkpatrick is a native of Noxapater, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Buckley, missionaries to Bangladesh, may now be addressed at Box 7, Comilla, Bangladesh. Buckley is a native of Picayune, Miss. Mrs. Buckley, the former Frances Goynes, was born in Gibson, Miss.

FORT WORTH (BP) — Fred T. Laughon, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gainesville, Fla., since 1957, has been named special assistant to the director of the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission; the commission here has announced.

DALLAS (BP) — Ransome W. Swords has resigned effective July 1 as vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board here to establish his own general insurance agency in Dallas.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (BP) — Warner Earle Fusselle, president of Truett-McConnell Junior College in Cleveland, Ga., since 1964, has been named president of Palm Beach Atlantic College here effective immediately.

Little Rock, Ark. — Dr. Theron V. (Corky) Farris, 44, of Dallas, Texas, well-known scholar and preacher in Southern Baptist circles, has been named as Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary.



Jack Stack, right, of Meridian, disussed a point with Dr. George Harrison during the Pastors Conference at New Orleans Seminary. Mr. Stack, an independent oil operator, brought daily messages on "The Ministry of the Layman" while Dr. Harrison, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at the seminary, led the studies each evening in the book of Micah.

Miss Sandra Dean Foster, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. James A. Foster, missionaries to the Philippines, was married June 23 to Bryan Davis Stringer Jr. at First Baptist Church, Canton, Miss. The bride is a senior at Mississippi College, Clinton. Her missionary parents are natives of Mississippi; her father is from Jackson and her mother is the former Zelma Van Osdel of Pascagoula.

A "how-to-do-it" meeting designed for Admissions Officers of Southern Baptist colleges was held in Nashville, Tennessee, July 17 and 18. Attending from Clarke College were Academic Dean Victor Vaughn and Director of Admissions Woodie Burt. The meeting, led by Johnson Associates, Inc., for the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, featured scrutiny of recruiting procedures and tools.

Clarke Faculty Member Is On Preaching Tour In Ecuador

Dr. Charles Melton, pictured, member of the faculty of Clarke College since 1962, is in Ecuador, South America, at the invitation of the Ecuadorian Baptist Mission. The principle responsibility Dr. Melton will undertake is the delivery of inspirational messages twice a day at the Annual Mission Meeting of all Southern Baptist missionaries in Ecuador. The meeting will be held in Guayaquil, and present for the occasion will be the James Paschal Gilbert family who made their home in Newton in the college missionary residence, during their furlough last year.

Prior to visiting in Ecuador, Dr. Melton was in Panama where he preached in two churches and made an extensive tour of the Baptist work in and around the Canal Zone. He also attended the meeting of The Congress of Pan-American Baptist Men in Cali, Colombia.

On July 24, Dr. Melton flew to Lima, Peru, and then after visiting mission points there, is to be in Quito, Ecuador for an "at home" visit with the Gilbert family.

A native Mississippian, Dr. Melton attended the Mississippi School for the Blind, and the Kentucky School for the Blind. He holds the Bachelor of Arts degree from Union University, Master of Religious Education from New Orleans Seminary, and Doctor of Religious Education from Southwestern Seminary.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities at Clarke, he has served Newton County as superintendent of missions for the past ten years.

Dr. Melton is traveling without his guide dog, Holly, and when queried on difficulties he might encounter, Dr. Melton replied, "Well, I read in Braille; people see me and ask if they can help, and that provides an opportunity to make friends and witness for Christ."

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Pontotoc Choirs Present "Who Is My Neighbor?"

The Combined Choirs of First Church, Pontotoc, presented the musical drama, WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? by Ronald K. Wells, on Sunday night, July 9. The choir and cast, composed of 72 persons, were directed by Mrs. W. Levon Moore, with Pam Dallas as accompanist. More than 600 heard the presentation. The pastor, Dr. W. Levon Moore, served as narrator.

'Youthquake' Hits Greenville

By Penny Jenkins
Delta Democrat-Times
Five years ago Willard Cagle became a Christian.

Since then, he has devoted his life to "sharing what Jesus did for me." July 27 through 29 Cagle will be in Greenville as guest evangelist for a countywide youth crusade.

The "youthquake," as it has been labeled, will be organized, directed and paid for by Greenville Baptist Church, Greenville, Rev. Paul Brooks, pastor, but youths from about 18 Baptist churches in Washington County will also participate.

The crusade will be held outdoors on the levee at Scheiben Park.

There will be singing groups from Greenville Church; First Church, Greenville; and First Church, West Monroe, La.

"The Singing Navigators" from Greenville, directed by Joe Abrams, III, will be the featured group on Thursday night. Mr. Abrams, who is head of the Fine Arts Department at

Mississippi Delta Junior College, Moorhead, is interim minister of music at Greenville for the summer.

Cagle, 20-year-old from Marshall, Texas, was in Greenville for a "pre-rally rally" at Calvary Church. In an interview, he spoke enthusiastically about his past work, his current work, and his plans for Greenville's rally.

"I was one of 4,000 students at Terrell High School in Houston, La., when I became a Christian. Right away, I started sharing what Jesus did for me with my classmates, telling how Jesus changed my life," Cagle said.

The word got around, and he was given an opportunity to speak on local radio programs. From that, "a bunch of pastors" issued invitations to him to speak in their churches, he said.

The local interest in his evangelical work exploded into national interest, and Cagle began to get requests to speak and work with young persons across the country. "It was a spontaneous thing," he said. He spent two summers working in New York City, and also worked with youth in Houston, Dallas and New Orleans. In addition, Cagle helped young



Lt. Gov. William Winter of Mississippi (second from left) was the guest speaker at the American Studies Seminar at Mississippi College. Talking with him regarding his remarks are, from the left, Jerry McBride of Jackson, president of the Student Body Association; Lt. Gov. Winter; Sen. Sam Wright of Clinton, a special guest; and Dr. Walter Howell, acting chairman of the Division of History and Political Science and Seminar director. — (M. C. Photo by Bill Strange)

Lt. Governor Winter Addresses Seminar At Mississippi College

Mississippi Lt. Gov. William Winter told a Mississippi College seminar that the state must push aside some of its old hangups and "begin making some definite decisions as to the future of the state if we are to move forward as we should."

Addressing the American Studies Seminar, composed of school teachers from several Southern states, Winter said it was time Mississippi established certain priorities as it looks to the future.

"This has been a deprived state and there is no use kidding ourselves about it," said Winter. "But we now have the resources to do what we

want to and we must see that these resources are used wisely."

"Mississippi probably has more attractive natural resources than any state I know," stated the Lieutenant governor, listing water, land, timber, clean air and plenty of space as some of them.

"People are looking for the kind of life Mississippi is able to afford — the good life."

Winter told his audience that Mississippi would grow in spite of limitations or competition from other states, but he voices concern over the possibility of unchanneled growth.

"Growth in itself is not necessarily a blessing," he said.

"We must become concerned about how we grow from here on out."

He told the CofC Foundation supported Seminar that the state should be more "discriminating in how we select the industry that comes into our state." He indicated he thought the state had now reached the position it could be more selective in the future industrial development of certain areas.

Summing up his remarks, Winter said, "We must be more selective in the industrial growth, must preserve our natural resources, must have greater cooperation between communities, and must allocate our resources in an intelligent way."

Osyka Calls Pastor

Rev. Drew D. Blanton has accepted the call as pastor of the Osyka Church, Osyka.

Mr. Blanton goes to Osyka from Sylvaena Church near Wesson. He is a native of Attala County. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Mississippi College, and has done graduate work at University of Southern Mississippi.

He is married to the former Lois Marilyn Cummins of Stewart. They have two children: Melinda, 7, and Michael, 2.

They were welcomed in Osyka with a pantry shower and reception.

Liberty Honors Dr. E. M. Causey, 50 Years A Minister Of The Gospel

Dr. Emerald M. Causey, pictured, was honored Sunday night, June 25, by the Liberty Church, Liberty, his completion of fifty years in the ministry. The church presented a "This Is Your Life" program for Dr. Causey.

Followed by a reception in the recreation hall given by his children, Mrs. Carol Ginn and Marlin Causey. (The many out-of-town guests included Mrs. Cliff Tate, of Jackson, the first person Dr. Causey baptized.) Jack Hoff of Magnolia, cousin of Dr. Causey, presided at the service. At the close of the service, W. J. Croise presented Dr. Causey a check as a gift from the church.

Dr. Causey was born in Liberty and attended the Liberty Church during his youth and high school years. He surrendered to preach at fifteen and preached his first sermon at Liberty at the age of seventeen in June of 1922.

He graduated from Amite Agricultural High School in 1922 and entered Mississippi College in September, 1922, graduating with the B.A. degree in 1926. In 1926-27 he taught and coached athletics at Centerville, organizing Centerville's first football team that year. In September of 1927

he entered New Orleans Seminary and graduated with the Th.M. degree in 1930 and the Th.D. degree in 1933. He served as pastor of the Berwick Church during 1928. In December 1928, he became pastor of the Gentry Church, New Orleans, where he served until 1935.

Since he preached that first sermon at Liberty, Dr. Causey has been pastor of First Church, Zwolle, La.; First, Jackson, La.; First, Foley, Alabama; First, Ashland, Alabama; First, Klamath Falls, Oregon; First Church of White Center, Seattle, Washington.

He spent thirteen years working in pioneer missions in the Northwest Convention. Here he served as pastor, organizer of missions, president of the Northwest Baptist Convention, and member of the Convention Executive Board and Executive Committee. Also he served as a member of the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board and the Historical Commission.

In 1963 he returned to Mississippi as Superintendent of Missions in Mississippi Association. In spite of physical handicaps, he has continued to serve as God has led. He officially retired from full-time responsibilities in 1968. Since that time he and Mrs. Causey have enjoyed a trip to the Holy Land. He continues to teach Sunday School and to do supply preaching.

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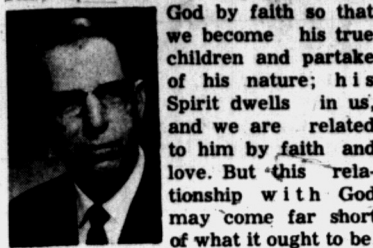
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Deepening Our Relationship With God

By Clifton J. Allen

I John 4: 13-19, Ephesians 3: 14-21
Our relationship with God is a reality, if there is personal faith in Christ. That is, we are actually joined with



God by faith so that we become his true children and partake of his nature; his Spirit dwells in us, and we are related to him by faith and love. But this relationship with God may come far short of what it ought to be.

It can be healthy, strong, meaningful, and full of joy. But it is possible for this relationship to be unhealthy, shallow, and unfruitful. The potential can be lost, resulting in our impoverishment and God's disappointment. The two passages chosen for our study reveal the divine intention and the spiritual potential of our relationship with God.

The Lesson Explained
Reality In Our Relationship (I John 4:13-15)

The deepening of our relationship with God demands that there be reality in our relationship. There are ways to test this matter, and a Christian ought to be honest in doing so. It is tested by obedience to God, by actually doing what is right, by a life that shows that habits of sin have been broken, by love for other persons, by believing in Jesus Christ, and by abiding in God. In these verses selected for special study, the writer stresses the presence of the Spirit in us as confirming the fact that we abide in God and that he abides in us. God sent his Son into the world. He came in the flesh. When we confess that Jesus is the Son of God, who became flesh on earth, we confess him to be the Savior sent from God. And through this confession, which is nothing less than believing in Christ and commitment to him, we declare the reality of our Christian experience.

LOVE WITHOUT FEAR (John 4:16-19)

Our relationship with God through Christ is a relationship of love and trust. God sent his Son to be the Sa-

vior of the world, and this is the supreme proof that God is love and the supreme expression of his love for all men. We therefore believe in the love of God because we believe in God himself through Christ. On this basis, therefore, we partake of the nature of love. Love becomes operative in us. We can face the day of judgment with confidence, without any fear of judgment, knowing that we are secure in the love of God. The wonder of our relationship with God is that we are delivered from fear of punishment. This is not presumption; it does not mean that we look lightly on our sinfulness. Rather, it declares our confidence in the love and righteousness of God. Our love for God springs from the fact that he first loved us. Through partaking of his love, love for God springs up in us, and not only God but our hearts reach out toward all persons with something of the love of God.

STRENGTH IN THE INNER LIFE (EPH. 3:14-21)

These verses are one of the most meaningful prayers recorded in the

Scriptures. First of all, there is the demand for prayer. The Christian can turn to the Heavenly Father and acknowledge kinship with him and acknowledge his concern for all men everywhere, and then pray to be strengthened in the inner life by the power of God's Spirit. Again, our relationship with God is deepened by the exercise of faith in Christ. This also is nurtured by the working of the Spirit, but it calls for our voluntary and disciplined cultivation, yielding ourselves constantly with renewed trust to the Lordship of Christ. And finally, we must be willing to be possessed completely by the love of God in Christ. We can never fully comprehend such love, it surpasses human knowledge. But we can yearn to be possessed by love which reaches out toward all people everywhere; and to the degree that we are possessed by this love, we become filled with the fullness of God. A prayer like this can end only with a doxology.



State Couple To Teach In Hong Kong

BIRMINGHAM — Mississippians Dr. Henry White Jr. of Natchez, Miss., associate professor of sociology at Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., and his wife, the former Betty Meador of New Albany, will be visiting lecturers at Hong Kong Baptist College during the 1972-73 school year. Their family will accompany them. Shown are (from left, front) Carol, 8; Kenneth, 11; Gaile, 12; (from left, rear) Mrs. White, Dr. White and Gloria, 15.



Check Given For Hospital Building

Rev. E. D. Estes and Mrs. Estes of Jackson present a \$1,000 check to Paul J. Pryor, administrator of Mississippi Baptist Hospital, to help in the hospital's fund drive toward a new \$25,000,000 hospital building. Brother Estes was state evangelist for the Mississippi Baptist Convention for over seven years. From left: W. T. Joyner, hospital business office manager; Mrs. Estes; Mr. Estes; and Mr. Pryor.

STUDENT SUMMER MISSIONARY KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

STOCKTON, Mo. (BP)—Memorial services for student summer missionary Ginger Perkins, 31, killed in an automobile accident July 6 were held in First Baptist Church, Hornersville, Mo., and Stockton, Mo.

Miss Perkins' co-worker, Kathy Huston, of Wichita, Kan., was placed under observation in a Wichita hospital, though she was not believed to have been severely injured. The accident occurred between Fort Stockton and Eldorado Springs while the summer missionaries were publicizing their camping and community ministries at Lake Stockton, a resort camping area.

Both girls were summer missionaries appointed by their Baptist Student Unions to work within Missouri. Miss Perkins was a senior at the University of Missouri, Columbia, and Miss Huston is a sophomore at William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

"I Am Made All Things To All Men"

Acts 17:1-34

By Bill Duncan

Do you remember the golden verses that we once had to memorize each Sunday? A good verse that is the basis for the subject is I Corinthians 9:22, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." This would be good for us to remember and practice. To learn a verse for the sake of reward might not have been good, but to learn a verse and carry out the principle in life made life rich.

Paul, the apostle, can be described in many ways. He was a very gifted person who made his way into every community sharing the Good News effectively.

In some of the communities where Jews were strong a synagogue was established. Paul was the learned Jewish theologian that informed the people of recent developments, including the coming of the Messiah.

In other communities, he was the pioneer to the Gentiles, bearing the gift of hope in Jesus Christ.

In still others, the humble tentmaker simply provided in friendship with persons in need that Jesus had changed his life.

In prison, Paul found a way to continue his work of spreading the Gospel by writing letters to individuals and churches.

I am so glad that there is not just one way to do everything. But circumstances can change as people can change. Not everyone likes chocolate ice cream. Some people's tastes change as they grow older. This is so true

in Christianity. When I was a young Christian, there were many things that I enjoyed. But as I have grown older with a family, some of those things do not appeal to me. My needs have changed like your needs have changed. Therefore, the ministry must meet needs wherever they are found. The purpose of any Christian action should be to lead persons to salvation. In order to have such a faithful ministry, it requires all types of actions to win all types of people.

When Paul went to Athens, a new approach was necessary. Athens, the greatest university town in the world, was also a city of many gods. There were more statues of the gods put together. The people of that day talked more than in the years of action. The people would meet in the city square and talk for long periods of time. At Athens, Paul had to state his faith and he used the philosophic idea to preach Christ.

In Athens there were two main philosophies. The Epicureans believed

Baptist Ministry At Naval Academy

The parents of the incoming Baptist midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., are urged to notify the local Baptist church which ministers to them. Midshipmen are permitted to attend local churches and to participate in student activities, but any notification of religious possibilities must come from outside. The Academy does not notify the midshipmen of this option.

Since 1904, the ministry to Baptist midshipmen has been directed by the Heritage Baptist Church (formerly College Avenue) in Annapolis. The church provides a full program of Sunday School and worship, plus an "adopt-a-mid" family for each plebe. The denomination also provides a full-time B.S.U. program. Together, Dr. David P. Haney, "the midshipmen's pastor," and B.S.U. Director, Dick Bumpass, provide an unusual ministry for the young men.

All parents of incoming midshipmen are asked to notify the church or B.S.U. of names and company numbers. Address: 1740 Forest Drive, Annapolis, Maryland, 21401.

ed in gods, but held them to be completely transcendent and unconcerned with human affairs. The main object of the life of an Epicurean would be happiness. The Stoics believed that everything was God. They believed that everything was fated because everything was the will of God and "we should not care because it was the will of God." They took Paul to the Areopagus (which is the Greek for Mars' Hill) to hear what he had to say.

How would you feel before such learned men? What would you say? To Paul it was just another God-given opportunity to witness for Christ. Paul could fit his message for any audience.

Astronaut Irwin - - -

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would be more effective in an organization of his own, Rittenhouse said.

Financial arrangements and selection of a board of directors for the corporation are still being worked out, Rittenhouse said.

Several individuals have agreed to serve on the board of directors, and others are being invited; he said. Those who have agreed to serve on the board include Cooper, Jack U. Harwell, editor of The Christian Index, Atlanta; Paul Stevens, executive director of the SBC Radio - TV Commission; and D. L. Claborn, an Atlanta automobile dealer.

Incorporation of "High Flight" will be completed by Oct. 1. The name for the corporation was inspired by a poem of the same name written by a pilot named John Gillespie Magee, Jr.

Irwin said he would be living in Colorado Springs because of his love for the mountains. During the Apollo 15 flight, Irwin read back to the earth a portion of Psalms 121:1, which states: "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."

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Dorsey near Fulton: July 9-14; Rev. Dolan Stovall, pastor; Rev. Tom Rayburn of First, Booneville, evangelist; Marshall Dickerson, layman from First, Booneville, singer; three professions of faith; four by letter; eight rededications.

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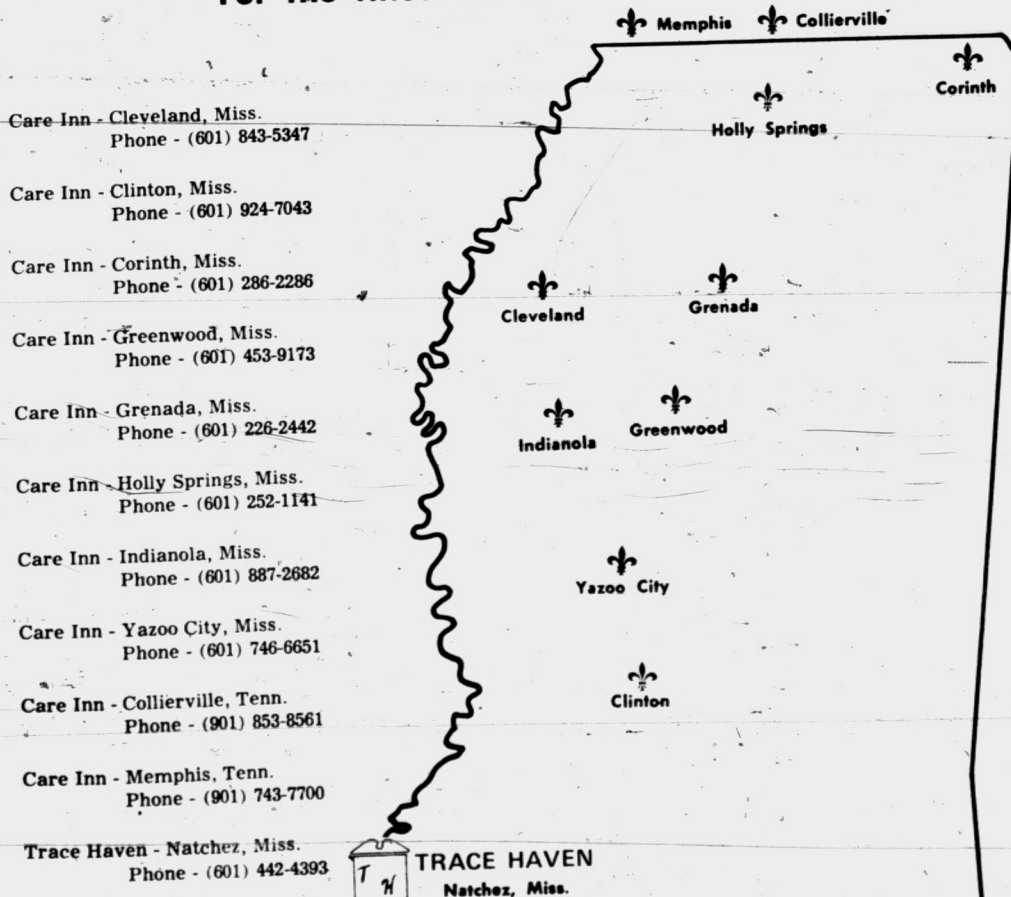
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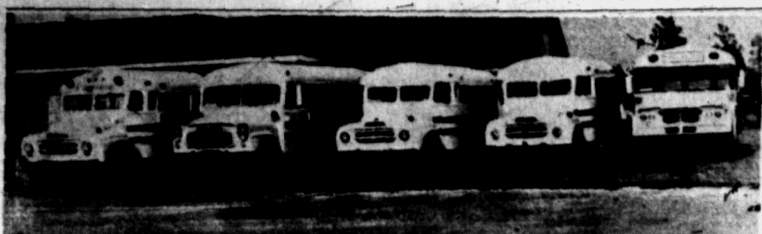
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Pineview Buses Deliver Over 200 Riders

Pineview Church, Jackson County, has experienced remarkable progress during the past year, with much credit due the bus ministry. The church already owned one bus that was used for the youth. Rev. Pete Jackson, and a few men with a vision of what might be done, bought four more busses, on faith. Within six months the busses were paid for, and drivers and bus captains and young people were busy enlisting riders. Sunday School averages 275 now, compared to 170 a year ago. The one time high was 366, with 204 of those brought in on busses. Since October 1, 1971, there have been 100 professions of faith made at Pineview, 80 baptisms, and 18 additions by letter.

Devotional

Guarding The Valuable

By Marjorie Rowden, Faculty, William Carey College

Psalm 51:12 "Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation."

The daily newspapers of our nation are filled with pleas for the safe return of valuable objects that have been lost or stolen. The appeals often read: "Reward offered," "Misplaced on subway," or "Keep money—return valuable papers."



Thousands of dollars are spent annually on protection of life and property—from Secret Service salaries to the building of walls and the installing of alarms and lock systems.

Each of us has possessions which we feel are irreplaceable. These may be family keepsakes which have been passed from one generation to the next or, editions of rare books that are now out of print. Everyone is anxious about the possible loss of physical health or mental alertness. We guard these latter possessions with proper diet, exercise, vitamins, medical check-ups and wholesome mental attitudes. The return to good health after a siege of illness is a wonderful experience.

Finding in good tact that which was lost is mentioned as a joyful occasion in the Bible. Consider Christ's discussion of the lost coin, the lost sheep and the lost son (Luke 15). None of these things were really "lost." They were misplaced for a while, and great was the rejoicing when they were found.

Many of us have misplaced the excitement and thrill of our initial relationship with the Lord. We have not guarded it properly through communion in prayer and through study of God's Word, nor have we guarded it through unselfish service to others. Cares of the world have "hidden" it under layers of trivia and trash. "Oh, the joy of my salvation experience and the delight I have known in the Lord are here somewhere," we tell ourselves. "It's just a matter of looking for them."

But then a strange thing happens. When something has been misplaced for a long time we learn to live without it. We adjust. We substitute something else in its place. That is, we substitute something else until the real thing becomes indispensable. Then we turn our house inside out until the lost object is found.

In times of crises we often find it necessary to turn our "spiritual houses" inside out to find the strength and power that we need. At such times substitutes will not suffice!

The Psalmist prayed that his lost joy in the Lord might be found. He prayed that the sins of his life might be forgiven because they had hidden true values from his eyes. David knew the importance of carefully guarding his joy and peace with God.

PRAYER: Father, teach us to protect that which is the most precious possession which we have—Thy fulfilling presence in our lives day by day.



BMC Student Youth Leaders

Left to right—Teresa Collins Rome, president of the Blue Mountain College Baptist Student Union for 1972-73; her husband, Dave Rome, Minister of Youth at Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, both BMC students; Joanne Pryor, Jacksonville, Fla., president of the current Summer Session BSU; and Dr. M. Douglas Clark, pastor of Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church and pastoral advisor of Blue Mountain's BSU. These Youth Leaders are shown looking over materials from the first packet sent to Mr. and Mrs. Rome as aids to their new Minister of Youth positions. Mrs. Rome, the former Teresa Collins of Corinth, and her husband now reside in Blue Mountain. Mrs. Rome's father, the Rev. F. A. Collins of Corinth is a 1972 summer graduate of Blue Mountain College.

Former Pastor Has Rare Opportunity

Dr. O. P. Moore, a former pastor of First Church, Florence, had a privilege on Sunday morning July 16 which he had never had before, and he wonders if many other pastors and preachers have ever had such an opportunity. He preached the ordination sermon for seven deacons being installed in the Florence Church, which in itself was not necessarily unusual, but when one of the number was baptized by him 35 years before, it took on, to him, the nature of a rare opportunity.

The new deacon who was baptized by Dr. Moore is Henry Thornton who came to Christ at an early age. In fact, he was so young when he presented himself for membership, it was thought wise for the pastor to talk with him before he was admitted. He was received at the very next service and his testimony still is that he was saved when he first offered himself for church membership.

Rev. M. R. Bradley is the present pastor at First, Florence.

Pine Hill Homecoming

July 30 will be homecoming day at Pine Hill Church near Enterprise in Clarke County. Lunch will be served on the church grounds. Rev. Dan Jones, pastor, invites all former pastors, former members, resident members, non-resident members, and friends.

Grenada-Yalobusha Calls Missionary

Rev. Finley Evans has resigned as pastor of Hebron Church, Grenada, to accept the position of director of missions of Grenada and Yalobusha Associations.



He is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary.

Mr. Evans has served as moderator, Convention Board member, and director of Sunday School in the Grenada Association.

He is married to the former Mary Ramage of Vardaman. Mrs. Evans is librarian of the Grenada High School.

Homecoming In Kosciusko

The annual homecoming of Second Church, Kosciusko, will be August 6. Rev. H. H. Ward will be the guest speaker for the morning service with dinner on the ground and a song service in the afternoon. Revival services begin on Monday, August 7. Evangelist James D. Watson will bring the messages at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Aug. 7-13.

A cynic knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.



The Changers To Sing In Texas

The Changers of Pineview Church, Jackson County, will leave August 5 for Dallas, Texas, where they will sing in several churches, and visit Six Flags Over Texas. The young people worked to earn the money for this trip. They are pictured above as they appeared in their new choir robes the first time after receiving them. Members of the church donated the robes. Last summer this group toured north Mississippi counties, singing in various churches. There have been many professions of faith as a result of their musical presentation, according to Dolan McArthur, music director. Rev. Pete Jackson is pastor.

Mexican Baptists Name Texas Layman President

FORT WORTH (BP)—A San Antonio businessman has become the first layman president in the history of Texas' Mexican Baptist Departmental Convention and the third in 62 years of organized Mexican Baptist efforts in Texas.

Omar Pacheco, 37, was elected at the Mexican Baptist Departmental Convention annual meeting here to succeed Epifanio Salazar, a pastor from Corpus Christi.

Southern Hills Calls Director Of Choirs

Mrs. Dorothy Harrison, pictured, is the new director of church choirs at Southern Hills Church, Jackson, Rev. David T. Cranford, pastor.



Mrs. Harrison was formerly organist for McDowell Road Church for twelve years. For the past five years she has also been writing religious music. To date, she has written over 100 songs plus a Christmas cantata, and a cantata on the Second Coming of Christ. A partner of Forte Music Publishers of Birmingham, Alabama, she is also executive composer of Master Music, Inc. of Hurst, Texas, and a writer for the James Robison television show.



Silver Wedding Anniversary

Mt. Zion Church, Lincoln County recently honored Rev. and Mrs. James E. Griffith, pictured, with a reception in celebration of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Guests were greeted and invited in by Mrs. Herbert Kimble. Along with the Griffiths to receive the guests were their children, Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Griffith, Gerald, and Renee. The Fellowship Hall was decorated in traditional silver motif. Different church members assisted with the serving, under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Britt.

Rev. and Mrs. Griffith were surprised with a recliner chair presented as a gift from the church. They received several other gifts from various Sunday School classes, members, friends, and relatives.

Revival Dates

Gatesville (Copiah): July 30-August 4; Rev. Robert Magee, pastor, evangelist; Rev. Shelly Vaughn, Florence, evangelist; all-day services July 30, with lunch at church, but no night service; during week at 7:30 p. m.

Clear Creek (Wayne): July 23-28; Rev. Billy Ray Blackwell, pastor; N. L. and Melita Ann Shoemaker, in charge of music; Rev. Max Jones, pastor, West Jackson Church, evangelist; services at 7:30 p. m.

Mt. Zion (Simpson): July 30-August 4. Rev. George Meadows, First, Hazlehurst, evangelist; James Hiram Smith, singer; services at 8 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Don Nerren, pastor.

First, Columbia: July 23-30; Rev. Billy Weber, pastor of Northway Church, Dallas, Texas, evangelist (the son of Dr. Jaroy Weber of Dauphin, Way, Mobile, he is a talented singer and guitarist); R. L. and Beth Sigrest of Yazoo City, music evangelists; services at 12:05 noon and 7:30 p. m. preceded by a Children's House at 7 p. m.; Dr. Howard Aultman, pastor.

Clear Creek (Marion): July 30-Aug. 4; Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; weekly evening services 7:30; Rev. Maurice Walton, pastor, North Columbia Church, Columbia, evangelist; Rev. Bill Wilkinson, associate pastor and minister of education of First Church, Columbia, song leader; Rev. Gene Stewart, pastor.

Shiloh Church, (Lafayette): August 6-11; services 10:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Johnny Parks, pictured, pastor of Camp Ground Church, Yalobusha County, preaching; Rev. Partee Tutor, pastor.

Weathersby (Simpson): July 30-August 4; Rev. Gerald Aultman, pastor, Salem Church, Covington County, evangelist; Bill Barnes, music director, Creston Hills, Jackson, song leader; lunch at church on Sunday with morning and afternoon service, no night service; weekday 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Bob Yates, pastor.

Robinswood Church, Brandon: July 31-August 6; Rev. A. L. Norsworthy, pastor, Pearson Church, Pearl, evangelist; music under direction of Bobby Seaney; services at 7:30 p. m.; Homecoming Day on August 6; Rev. Marlon Seaney, pastor.

New Prospect, Brookhaven: July 30-August 4; Rev. Jimmy Magee, pictured, East McComb, evangelist; Rev. Jerry Smith, New Prospect, music director; Rev. James E. Watts, pastor; Sunday morning and afternoon services, with lunch at the church; weekday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

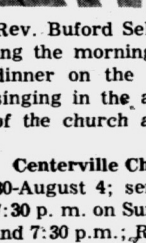
Macedonia (Simpson): August 6-11; Dr. Wayne E. Sterling, evangelist; Tommy G. Echols, music director; Rev. Tom McCurley, pastor; services at 6 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. (Sunday, August 6, there will be services at 11 a. m. and 1:30 p. m., with dinner on the grounds. Also the day has been designated as High Attendance Day in Sunday School)

Arkabutla Church, Arkabutla: July 30-August 4; Rev. Billy Smith, Trinity Church, Whitehaven, Tennessee, evangelist; Rev. Donald Toomey, First Church, Itta Bena, music director; services at 10:30 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.; Rev. Bobby Walton, pastor.

Good Hope (Winston): July 23-28; services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Rev. Johnny L. Walker, pastor, York Church, York, Ala., evangelist; Rev. Ricky Edwards, Carthage, song leader; Rev. Rush L. Gunn, pastor.

Vancleave (Jackson County): July 30-Aug. 4; Dr. R. H. Whittington, pictured, pastor, St. Landry, La., evangelist; Graham Smith, minister of music, First Pascagoula, musician; Rev. Frank Lescallete, pastor.

Phillipston (Leflore): August 7-13; Rev. Bill Harris, pictured, of Fairview Church, Fairfax, Alabama, evangelist; Gene Aldridge of Itta Bena, song leader; Rev. Bob Mathis, pastor; services during week at 7:30 p. m. (A special day, Sunday, August 6, has been set for Alice Teal Day, with Rev. Buford Sellers of Oakland bringing the morning message, and with dinner on the grounds and quartet singing in the afternoon. All friends of the church are invited.)



Centerville Church, Centerville: July 30-August 4; services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday; weekday 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Allen Stephen, Bay Vista, Biloxi, evangelist; Rev. Alvin Hall, Ethel, La., singer; Rev. Donald O'Quin, pastor.

Concord (Choctaw): August 6-11; services being held at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. B. B. McGee, pastor, evangelist; Buddy Smith of Ackerman, (Sunday is Homecoming Day and former members and friends are invited. There will be dinner "on the ground.")

Clear Branch Church, (Rankin): July 30-Aug. 4; Rev. Emerson Tedder, Brookhaven, evangelist; Bobby Campbell, Jr., singer; services 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. with dinner served on the grounds Sunday; Rev. Paul Harlon, pastor.

Pioneer Church, Woodville: July 30-August 4; services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., and during week at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Homecoming with dinner on the grounds, July 30, and an "Old-Fashioned Song Service" at 2 p. m.; Rev. Norris Hilton, pastor of Pardis Church, Pardis, La., evangelist; Rev. William Antony Patterson, pastor.

Birmingham Ridge (Lee): July 30-August 4, services night only, 8 p. m.; Rev. David Poe, evangelist; Dennis Basden, song leader; Rev. Bobby Holland, pastor; dinner on the ground Sunday, followed by old-time gospel singing in the afternoon.

Blythe Creek (Choctaw): July 30-Aug. 4; Rev. Ronald Finch of Choctaw, Alabama, evangelist; Ron Stuckey of Ackerman, singer; weekday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Paul Cain, pastor.

Hillcrest Church, Jackson: July 31-Aug. 6; Aug. 6, homecoming and dinner on ground; services at noon and 7:30 p. m.; Dr. John Barnes, pastor of Main St. Church, Hattiesburg-evangelist; Rev. Maurice Clayton, pastor.

Off The Record

Confusion is one woman plus one left turn; excitement is two women plus one secret; bedlam is three women plus one bargain; chaos is four women plus one luncheon check. —Changing Times

After a lengthy conference with the estranged husband, the lawyer reported to his client: "Mrs. Blake, I have succeeded in making a settlement with your husband that is eminently fair to both of you." "Fair to both," exploded Mrs. Blake. "I could have done that myself! What do you think I hired a lawyer for?" —The Wall Street Journal

Husband, struggling with budget, to wife: "We should have saved during the depression so we could live through this prosperity." The Christian Science Monitor

The original mistake was inventing the calendar. This led, in due course, to having Mondays. —H. V. Wade, NANA

At the Paris conference a reporter asked a hurrying diplomat what he thought about a certain international problem. "Don't bother me now," snapped the diplomat. "I must make a speech. This is no time to think." —Walter Winchell

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Texas Choir To Sing At Eastside

The "Timber Teens" from Timber Crest Church, Waco, Texas, will present a concert on Thursday, August 3, 7:30 p. m. at Eastside Church, Jackson, Rev. Howard Benton, pastor. The evangelistic tour route includes Louisiana, Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi. The public is invited.